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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

FILE NUMBER: 100-106670

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(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

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V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (100-18626)(RUC)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM-C; ALLEGED ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT

Remyairtel and LHM, 3/31/65,

Enclosed for Atlanta is copy of reairtel and LHM for information.

[REDACTED] re-interviewed 3/31/65, could add only following information to that in re LHM:

He was taken to [REDACTED] in Florida on [REDACTED] and released in early part of October the same year. [REDACTED] had a few weeks or a month to serve on his then present sentence at that time. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] spoke often of having been arrested many times and told everyone he made a business of shooting people, especially negroes. Other inmates of the [REDACTED] considered [REDACTED] a "blowhard." [REDACTED] indicated that when he got out of jail he planned to go straight to his home [REDACTED]

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- 2 - Tampa (AM)(RM)
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Special Agent in Charge

BU 100-18626

There was one other inmate of the [REDACTED] who shared the four-man cell with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. His name was [REDACTED] who was being held on an auto theft charge. [REDACTED] was released before [REDACTED] but [REDACTED] thought there was a federal detainer on him and he did not know where [REDACTED] went from the [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] did not know of [REDACTED] purported plan to assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Inasmuch as above information has no apparent pertinence regarding plan to assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., no additional LHM prepared.

No further investigation indicated at Buffalo.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 2, 1965

FROM : D. C. Morrell

SUBJECT: 
EAST ST. LOUIS, ILLINOIS


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Handwritten signature/initials

By letter dated March 29th, captioned individuals stated that it is their belief that the Negroes are getting out of hand and Martin L. King should be stopped. They stated they are disappointed in "L.B.J." and feel he is as bad as "the Kennedys falling all over the Negroe."

Handwritten notes: "The following is a summary of the letter..."

The letter expresses complete disagreement with the administration's handling of civil rights problems and indicates opinions which emanate from a closed mind. Accordingly, it is not felt that this communication warrants a reply.

RECOMMENDATION:

That captioned individuals' communication not be acknowledged.

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Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

East St Louis, Ill
Mar. 29 - 1965

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This letter comes to you to say we think the Negroes are getting out of hand & Martin L. King should be stopped. We were upset after reading of the Lutheran Church men butting in. We are Lutheran & many more of our church do not believe in integration of races. So the few men can not speak for all of us. Also Im dissappointed in L. B. J. We're lifetime Democrats & were for him but he's as bad as the Kennedys falling all over the Negroe. Next he'll move over & let Martin King have his job, which is what will happen if something isn't done.

What right has a woman from one state to go to another state to stir up trouble.

I say let a Governor govern his state.

The laws of the land have been changed before & should be now before this crazy mess gets worse. While investigating maybe the Negroe leaders will be investigated also.

Our highest Regards

[Redacted Signature]

East St Louis Ill.

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Letter to Martin Luther King
March 29 - 1965

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King

Washington D.C.

12-11-80

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Very highest regards.

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Bronx, New York 10453

Dear [REDACTED]

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Your letter of April 2nd has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. In view of the foregoing, I trust you will understand why I cannot comment along the lines you suggested.

In response to your request, I am enclosing two copies of "Guidelines for a Civilization in Peril" as well as some other material I hope you will find informative.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (5)

2 copies of Guidelines for a Civilization in Peril

Our Heritage of Greatness, 12-12-64

U. S. News & World Report, 12-21-64

Remarks made by Senator Dodd on Floor of Senate, 2-25-65

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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April 2, 1965

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Dear Sir,

As one of your greatest admirers, it makes my blood boil to see your investigations ignored and buried. You know the background of Martin Luther King but most of the American people do not. Isn't there any way you can expose him? I know you tried when you called him a liar, but it looks like the country is asleep. It is awfully hard to sit at home with my children and realize that we are watching another Castro in the making. What can we do to save our country?

May I please have a few copies of your "Civilization in Peril."

God help us all.

Respectfully yours,

/s/

[REDACTED]

Bronx, N.Y. 10453

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Atlanta, Georgia

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Dear [REDACTED]

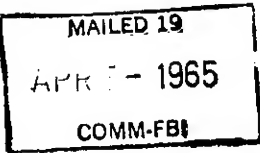
I received your letter of April 2nd, with enclosures, and want to thank you for your confidence and generous remarks concerning my administration of the FBI. It is hoped our future endeavors will continue to merit your support and approval.

It was indeed thoughtful of you to bring your views to my attention and I am enclosing literature which I trust will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Remarks made by Sen. Thomas J. Dodd 2-25-65
"Our Heritage of Greatness"
12-21-64 U. S. News and World Reports
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NOTE: [REDACTED] was written in December, 1964, at which time he was not identifiable in Bufiles. His incoming expresses in detailed form his fond memories and confidence in this Bureau and the steps he has taken to stand behind it when attacked. He enclosed a copy of his letter to Newsweek magazine which is not being true copied for the purpose of this reply. He also enclosed Newsweek's reply to him.

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Atlanta, Ga
April 2, 1965

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director of F. B. I.
Washington, D. C.

Honorable Mr. Hoover:

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The Newsweek magazine issue of Dec. 9th, 1964 carried a story about you and your statement that Rev. Martin L. King Jr was a notorious liar. I have followed that worthy character and read all about his associations with subversive individuals which were printed in Georgia and Alabama but not in the press in the north and west.

People in Georgia have pictures of him in attendance at a Communist training school near Monteagle, Tenn. We know of his Communist associations and of having two on his Southern Christian Leadership Conference payroll.

We also know Bayard Rustin put on the huge Washington D. C. parade in 1963 for Core leaders and Board members Martin Luther King Jr and NAACP leaders and Board member A. Phillip Randolph. We also know Bayard Rustin same Communist helped Martin Luther King draw up his acceptance speech for his Nobel Peace prize in Oslo Norway last December

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If they had they would have been promptly told to act the part of responsible and sensible citizens

However a federal judge allowed it. Now the communist techniques of street demonstrations was permitted and condoned again in 1965 and legally extended to busy interstate highways with army guard.

I further contend a huge Communist plan to infiltrate into the lives, communities and states in the entire south, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania was kicked off in Selma and Montgomery Alabama.

There are sufficient laws on the books of our country to insure proper voting rights and if done in the Christian free world way as done in the western countries and the United States instead of by the Marxist atheist way as done in Selma and Montgomery there would have been no strife, hatred, violence and death. Therefore with Kings being the "front man", he is morally responsible for all that which happened as well as stirring up strife again in the south where Civil Rights was peacefully accepted. Only one death resulted in July 1964 near Athens, Ga and 3 businesses going to court

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That is off my mind. I was indignant about the way Newsweek covered you in the fashion of a scandal monger and the unwarranted criticism by the New York Times, New York Herald Tribune, Washington Post and Los Angeles Times. The Newsweek did not give you one favorable comment.

Therefore besides sending a reply to Newsweek I also sent a copy to the four critical newspapers mentioned. In addition to that, I also sent copies to the Chicago Tribune, Detroit News, Jackson Clarion Ledger Jackson Miss. the Saturday Evening Post and Red Book magazine. In all, I let seven newspapers and three magazines know I didnt like the unwarranted attack on you by Newsweek, New York Times, New York Herald Tribune, Washington Post and Los Angeles Times. I enclose the reply by Newsweek

I remember well when the F. B. I. was formed and you were appointed by Judge Stone in 1924 to take charge. I have followed the F. B. I. and you from its infancy to the sound organization it is today. You are to be commended for a job efficiently and honorably done and for being a good public servant.

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Atlanta, Ga
Dec. 14, 1964

Newsweek
444 Madison Ave
New York N.Y.
Gentlemen:

Copy

We now hear suddenly of J. Edgar Hoover, F.B.I. chief has become a figure of controversy and not only of old leftist critics but also among old admirers. We know about leftist clique who don't like his works. But any claim his admirers, and I mean the big majority are suddenly against him, is an empty statement. All the get Hoover clique have to do is downgrade Hoover and the country will soon know how many admirers he has.

Hoover and the F.B.I. have been in poor graces with the Communist party since they produced enough evidence to convict their 12 top leaders in 1950. So has any law enforcement agency. The Communist handbook says in part: "Police officers are the enemies of communism, if we are to succeed we must do anything to weaken their work, to incapacitate them or to make them a subject of ridicule." That is their goal and the whole F.B.I. is not excluded. They want so-called Citizens Police Review Boards throughout the U.S.

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to decide policies and decisions against policemen who have to use persuasive methods against participants in any disorderly movements where mob rule and unlawful disorders are to be gained by violence. They call this "police brutality." In other words if policemen uses necessary force to break up a mob, that is violent and has no lawful technique and approach except with violence, he is then brutal and should be subject to a Citizens Police Review Board. Such Boards would not be competent police officers who know crime and men in the police force. Such Boards can be too easily swayed by tension pressure groups who are not always for 100% law and order, and don't know officers involved nor law enforcement techniques. It is just another Communist technique to discredit police and weaken enforcement as well as ridicule officers to the public. It is not the thing for Americans who want a good crime and law enforcement process to become involved in.

Sadly enough too many American non-Communists fall prey to such schemes and are then skinned and quickly ridiculed.

our arm of the law if they say one word when under grueling pressure from those persons and groups whose tactics and techniques are not always within the bounds of lawfulness, common decency and fair play.

When Mr. Hoover said what he did about a few judges, there was stony silence. When Hoover said what he did about Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. high blood pressure and ruffled feathers was experienced in a few journalistic circles. Why?

Mr. Hoover in his work knows plenty about Rev. King Jr., the Communist infiltration into Civil Rights demonstrations, sit-ins, stand-ins, carrying out bodily of those who don't get all they want on first call whether they have an appointment or not. This whole technique is of Communist origin. They used it before 1950 in House of Un-American Activities hearings and in labor troubles in the newly organized C.I.O. Our good American labor leaders finally threw out Communist infiltration in labor movement in the C.I.O. and abolished the sit-in or sit-down strikes.

Rev. King Jr. is not responsible for all the

ill feeling, hate, violence and some deaths that followed in the wake of demonstrations and what not prior to July 2 1964. He however did condone all those foreign techniques. What was gained was a passive resistance and smoldering ill-feelings from those the negroes want the considerations from. Had the American way of petitions been used, discussions of Civil Rights over radio and T.V., called public meetings to discuss it with interested public groups and officials then there would not be that passive resistance and smoldering ill feelings by so many toward Civil Rights and so-called "non-violence".

I am not charging Rev. King is a Communist. I am enclosing newspaper clippings about some of his associates and co-workers. The F.B.I. files are not open to the public. Mr. Hoover does not say what they show on whom. If the journalists who throw disparaging remarks about Mr. Hoover had been in his place, I am sure they would only have had one tenth or less of Hoovers patience. At least I dont subscribe to the supposition everything was alright

within the F.B.I., Mr. Hoover and between the civil rights leaders and that Rev. King Jr. had carried himself perfect in everything — and then King had only once remarked the F.B.I. was not doing its part in civil rights aftermath, so consequently Mr. Hoover then threw a characteristic Truman blast without good cause That was not the case at all.

Anyone who is disparaging about Mr. Hoover, whose has been a Rock of Gibraltar ^{against} ~~the~~ crime and subversion, is giving aid and comfort to the Communists whether they intend to or not, That is the net result.

There were those on the Warren commission who thought the angle of Lee H. Oswald's wife, a daughter of the Soviet Secret Police was not followed through as it should have been. Most people agree a body not connected with a political party should have and would have did a better job because they would not be party or politically obligated in any way. They agree with Mr. Hoover on his criticism

of same.

Anyone whether in Congress or not are free to feel we are safer from Communism than heretofore, that co-existence is working good. Anyone is also free to feel otherwise. Outside of the U.S. the Communists have not let down. Who is so foolish as to believe contrary to their policy they are now more friendly? That is their game so we can be less vigilant. I will believe the F.B.I. before I will others not in subversion investigation work.

The Civil Rights law was necessary and I hope its interpretation and execution will be only on the law.

The negroes are entitled to good leaders who are free of Communist orientation and back stage guidance and policies. I am sure the majority of that race want it.

In the thirties and forties the American labor leaders kicked out the Communists and repudiated them. Let us see if the new negro leaders will do likewise for the good of the U.S. and the negro race. The negro race or any poor white race

is fertile ground for the Communists to
sow seed

Mr. Hoovers speech before the Loyola
University in Chicago Ill. on Nov. 24th
when he was presented with the Loyola
Sword award was sincere and shows
his strong character and good moral
stamina. All his detractors cannot match
that speech

The Communists are very co-operative
in working with any ministers or church
organizations on any work outside of
congregational work when it specifically
involves "peace" and the plight of the
working man in their world wide
program of Communization. When that
is accomplished we will then have
no religion or churches. Look at their
work since close of World War two
for verification

Yours truly

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P.S. Any journalist who believe in our way of
life for the good of the U.S. and the negro race will
reject anything of a foreign orientation and spread
the news to that effect.

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Newsweek

January 5, 1965

[REDACTED]
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear [REDACTED]

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Thank you for the clippings you sent us, as well as for sharing your comments on J. Edgar Hoover and Martin Luther King. We are always interested in our readers' views on the people who figure prominently in the news, but it is no part of our intention, as a responsible national magazine, to make judgments either favorable or unfavorable. We confine ourselves to reporting on current events as fairly and as factually as possible, since we want to leave our readers free to draw their own conclusions from the facts.

We welcome the interest in Newsweek that prompted you to get in touch with us.

Sincerely,

Joan Wharton

Joan Wharton
For the Editors

*That article, King, Karamal, Mengele
is a masterpiece. This is my remark
me*

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Via AIRTEL

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM SAC, TAMPA (100-716)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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ReBuairtel to SACs, Baltimore, Charlotte, Philadelphia April 1, 1965, and Tampa airtel to the Bureau April 1, 1965, entitled "Alleged Plot to Assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING, RM", a copy of which is enclosed for the information of Atlanta.

The Bureau will note that by referenced Tampa airtel of April 1, 1965, Tampa reported all pertinent information known to it concerning [REDACTED]. It is to be noted further that in Baltimore teletype to the Bureau March 30, 1965, in the case "Alleged Plot to Assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING, RM", it was noted that [REDACTED] claimed to have met [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Florida, and thereafter [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were offered \$400 each if they would accompany one [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING. Indices of Tampa contain nothing identifiable with [REDACTED]

In view of the above, Tampa will not submit letterhead memorandum in this matter.

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Rochester, New Hampshire

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of April 2nd, with enclosure, has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I cannot be of help in this instance but trust you will understand the necessary reasons for this policy.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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[REDACTED]
Rochester, N.H.
Apr. 2, 1965

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:

I live in an area in which we have two radio stations that have a program where anyone can call in and express their opinion on any subject.

I am appalled to find in this comparatively small area, there are so many hate-groups. One of the things they constantly harp on is the status of Dr. Martin Luther King.

I myself, am white, but I have faith in, and even though you receive thousands of letters every day, you will find time to answer this.

If I could have his educational background, that would also be a help. Thank you

Very respectfully,

[REDACTED]

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Very respectfully,

[REDACTED]
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SAC, New York (100-136585)

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Director, FBI (100-106670)

1 - Mr. Forsyth
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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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The 4/2/65 issue of the "New York Daily News" contained an article headed "Gilligan to Sue King, Farmer, NBC For Libel." It is reported that Lieutenant Thomas R. Gilligan, the New York City police officer who was involved in the riots and demonstrations in New York City in the Summer of 1964, disclosed that he planned to file "a libel or slander action" against the National Broadcasting Company, subject King and James Farmer because of an NBC-TV program 7/27/64.

New York is instructed to follow this matter through established reliable sources and news media and other public sources and keep the Bureau advised of developments relating to the suit against King.

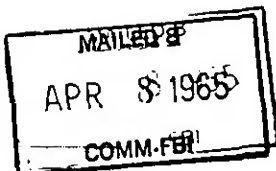
Any information coming to the attention of the Atlanta Office, should also be furnished the Bureau.

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Parkersburg, West Virginia 26102

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of April 3rd has been received.

It was certainly good of you to furnish me your observations and remarks, and I appreciate it; however, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. In view of the foregoing, I trust you will understand my inability to comment along the lines you suggested.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Miss Gandy	_____

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It is with the utmost concern for my country
that I send these ill typed lines to you. With reference
to the so called REVILIND Martin Luther King, I submit
what I have read and heard, and seen.

All I can see out of King's movements and actions,
is the very obvious operation of the Communist Party.
He has went from one operation to another, stirring up
strike all the way. Now he is trying to boycott industry
in Alaska. When this has satisfied his appetite, where
will he strike next?

The distorted press and TV the public is being
brainwashed by, with half truths, causes at least some
of us to read other material on world events than the
controlled daily sheet and controlled TV. I do not have
to tell you who controls them, you already know.

In the books which are authenticated, documented
letter of record, and patriotic papers unwilling to bring
the truth, we find that (you can check it if you already
given, t) the so called REVILIND Martin Luther King is an
outright communist. I saw a photo of me and others taken
at a meeting of some organization in Tennessee, that later
the Tennessee Legislature broke up this said organization
deeming it subversive. I think it high time the entire
public really find out just what King really is.

In this other reading material we also find that
the Reuther brothers were trained in Moscow, that Anna
Yaropolinsky and Walter Rostow are pinkos. (I, a quite sure
you know of them) and another who was eased into your
organization just to spy on you, Jack Levine, another
pinko.

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I may sound disgruntled; but why shouldn't I be?
I have had four sons in uniform in the inv sions and in
indians police action in Korea. My two sisters (one deceased)
she lost two sons, and the other lost her only son, shot down
on his way back (3-24) from the low level bombing mission
of the Pibesti, Romania oil refineries 1945.

We fight the communists in far away places yet we allow
them to inlist out state department and as with gostow the top
policy maker, pull the strings. Oh Boy: God save our country.

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I am, yours,

April 8, 1965

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Morro Bay, California 93442

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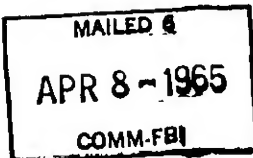
Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of April 1st has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, information con-
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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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[REDACTED] Morro Bay, Calif.,
April 1, 1965. b7(c)

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Justice Department,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

In discussion with friends today I was informed by them that Dr. Martin Luther King has been listed in your files as being affiliated with 70 different Communist organizations.

I would greatly appreciate a reply stating whether or not this is so.

Thank you very much in advance for this information.

Sincerely,

b7(c) [REDACTED]

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Dr. Martin L. King
c/o Southern Christian
Leadership Conference
330 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. King:

I have received and desire to
thank you for your telegram of March 27th
concerning the work of Special Agents of
this Bureau in the State of Alabama.

Very truly yours,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

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J EDGAR HOOVER

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHDC

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TE YOU AND THE FBI FOR THIS SPEEDY ARREST OF THE ACCUSED ASSASINS

OF MRS. LUIZZO. THE AGENTS ASSIGNED TO ALABAMA HAVE DONE AN

OUTSTANDING JOB OF CONTAINING THE TREMENDOUS VIOLENNES AND

SAVAGERY WHICH RUNS RAMPANT UNDER THIS SURFACE OF ALABAMA LIFE.

THERE IS STILL MUCH WORK TO BE DONE BEFORE ALABAMA IS RID OF

THE RACIST SICKNESS WHICH POLLUTES HER BODY POLITIC, I AM SURE

THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO COUNT ON FOUR EFFICIENT SERVICES

MARTIN LUTHER KING

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MR. MOHR FOR THE DIRECTOR

CC: MR. DELOACH

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Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

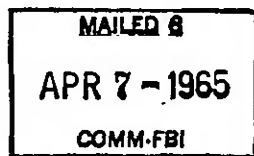
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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 31st has been received,
and the thought which prompted you to write me is appreciated.
It was good of you to give me the benefit of your observations
and I thank you for advising me of your views.

Enclosed is some material which I trust you
will find of interest.

Sincerely yours,



J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (4)

Remarks made by Senator Thomas J. Dodd, 2-25-65
Our Heritage of Greatness
U. S. News & World Report 12-21-65
FBI's Role in the Field of Civil Rights

NOTE: [REDACTED] is not identifiable in Bufiles. See Jones to DeLoach memo
3-29-65 captioned "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Interview on Television
Program, Meet The Press, March 28, 1965," which sets forth King's
remarks on this program.

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover,
Chief, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On Sunday evening, March 28, 1965, I was listening to the "Meet the Press" program on which Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. appeared. One reporter asked Rev. King about his attitude toward civil disobedience, and the violation of some of the laws that had been violated, and he stated that those laws were bad laws and that they felt they could be guided by their conscience, and pay no attention to those laws.

It seems to me if they are bad laws that isn't the way to test them out and have them invalidated, and that is the philosophy of the government by men instead of government by laws - as advocated by the soviets and communists.

If that is the doctrine that is being advocated by the leaders of this movement it seems to me that is a rather dangerous doctrine to promulgate, and has no doubt led to a lot of the depredations that have been committed.

I am not in favor of the negro having his rights violated, but I do not believe any discrimination can be made in favor of the negro and against the whites in this respect.

I understand this program is recorded, and that an exact copy of his words can be obtained from the Merkle Press, 801 Channing Street, Washington, D. C.

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We feel this to be of sufficient importance to bring it to your attention.

Very truly yours,

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ack 4-6-65
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 5, 1965

FROM : SAC, Denver (100-9082) (C)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

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Dissemination

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and four copies of a LHM, suitable for dissemination, concerning captioned individual.

For information of the Bureau, [REDACTED]

Denver, Colorado, telephonically contacted the Denver Office on March 29, 1965, requesting an Agent contact him regarding Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and communism.

[REDACTED] was interviewed on March 30, 1965, at which time jurisdiction of the FBI was explained to him. [REDACTED] appeared to be mentally unbalanced.

The results of this interview are being furnished for information of the Bureau as it appears [REDACTED] has written to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY and may be inclined to write other high officials of the U. S. Government.

1cc to [REDACTED] - All

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Denver, Colorado
April 5, 1965

*DATE 12-11-80 BY SP4SAM/ld
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[REDACTED]
Denver, Colorado

On March 30, 1965, an Agent of the Denver Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contacted captioned individual at his place of employment, [REDACTED] Denver, Colorado, at [REDACTED] request.

At this time, [REDACTED] advised that he has corresponded numerous times with Senator "Bobby" Kennedy of New York and Martin Luther King concerning the well-being of King. [REDACTED] then furnished a copy of a letter dated March 26, 1965, which he wrote, and the original was apparently mailed to Senator Kennedy. This letter reads as follows:

"Dear Bobby,

"I believe that Dr. Martin Luther King and Vice President Humphrey are well guarded during these critical times but, I still fear for their lives because their violent death at the hands of southern racists would cause so much discredit to our beloved America.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] then stated that his main purpose in "talking to the FBI" is that he is desirous of expressing his fear and opinion to J. Edgar Hoover that Dr. Martin Luther King, due to his demanding attitude and his unawareness of communist infiltration and use of racial unrest and violence, is in danger of being assassinated by "racists, communists or Black Muslims." [REDACTED] stated that this is merely his opinion and he knows of no threat to the life of Martin Luther King.

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[REDACTED] then set forth the following points which he feels the FBI should be aware of and should make Martin Luther King aware of:

1. FBI should discover the plot of communists to entice racists to assassinate King.
2. FBI should discover the plot by communists or Black Muslims to kidnap King.
3. King must be convinced of the danger of communist threats.
4. King is like a little boy with a deadly toy.

In addition to the above information, [REDACTED] furnished the following descriptive data:

Address:

[REDACTED]
Denver, Colorado

Previous Addresses:

Birth:

[REDACTED] 1927,

Paris, Texas

Military Service:

Airman Third Class.
[REDACTED]

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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Date: 3/11/65

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-36113)

FROM SAC, MIAMI (105-8807)

RE [REDACTED] b7(c)
THREAT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT

Re Miami teletype dated 3/27/65.

Enclosed herewith is the original and 3 copies of a LHM dated 3/10/65 relative to the above captioned matter. One copy of this LHM is being transmitted to the U.S. Secret Service, Miami, Fla., in confirmation of the telephonic notification to that agency by SA [REDACTED] at 12:00 PM. on 3/11/65.

No further action is contemplated by the Miami Division.

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(2) [REDACTED]
CC - [REDACTED]

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Miami, Florida
March 27, 1965

Re: [REDACTED] b7(c)
THREAT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT

At 12:20 PM. on Saturday, March 27, 1965, [REDACTED] telephonically contacted the Miami FBI Office and identified himself as [REDACTED] Miami Beach, Florida. He stated that he wished to furnish information concerning a threat against the live of President Lyndon B. Johnson and Reverend Martin Luther King. In furnishing this information [REDACTED] indicated that he had not personally heard the threats described herein below but that various guests in his hotel had told him of the threats.

According to [REDACTED] a white male, approximately 27 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, having blond hair and a fair complexion, registered at the [REDACTED] 1965, under the name of [REDACTED] Texas, and was assigned room number 119, where he was still residing as of March 27, 1965. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] informed him that he had actually been in the Miami area for a week prior to the time he checked into the [REDACTED]. According to [REDACTED] is employed as a cook at [REDACTED] which is a concession serving the [REDACTED] private beach area as well as an adjoining public beach. [REDACTED] confided that [REDACTED] is a heavy drinker of intoxicants and while not working usually spends his time at [REDACTED] Bar or [REDACTED] Bar, both of which are situated on [REDACTED] Miami Beach, Florida.

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[REDACTED] stated that two guests of the hotel whom he identified as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both of whom are from Toronto, Canada, complained to [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] told them he was glad President Kennedy was assassinated and further informed that in the event President Johnson or Reverend Martin Luther King come to Miami, he would be the man that would shoot

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RE: [REDACTED]

THREAT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT

them. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] has repeated these threats to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] on more than one occasion, during the past week, March 23, through 27, 1965.

[REDACTED] stated that in view of these threats against the President, he and one of his employees took upon themselves to enter the room number 119 [REDACTED] while [REDACTED] was not in. In the room they located under a lounge chair a revolver, which [REDACTED] was not able to describe in any more detail. b7(c)

The files of the Miami FBI Office contain no information identifiable with [REDACTED] on the basis of the limited identifying data available.

The foregoing information was furnished telephonically to Special Agent in Charge [REDACTED] United States Secret Service, Miami, Florida, at 12:30 PM. on March 27, 1965.

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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FBI

Date: 3/23/65

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-66658)(P)
 RE: DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING
 U. S. INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM
 INFORMATION CONCERNING
 (INTERNAL SECURITY)

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KING
 Re airtels from Los Angeles to the Bureau,
 3/10/65 and 3/12/65.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 18 copies of
 a letterhead memorandum (LHM) reflecting inactivity of
 Citizens Committee to End Violence in Vietnam and Alabama.
 A copy of instant LHM is being furnished the Bureau for each
 of the following Bureau files:

100-433447 100-395144
 100-387548 100-442649
 62-107354 61-3176
 100-106670 100-Ad Hoc Committee to
 End War in Vietnam

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Two copies of LHM are being furnished Atlanta, Birmingham and Mobile for information because of the contact by captioned organization with MARTIN LUTHER KING and the stated purpose of the organization in ending violence in the State of Alabama. One copy of the LHM is being furnished 115th INTC, Region II, U. S. Army, Pasadena, California, and one copy to Secret Service, Los Angeles.

 that the photographs taken of the picket by the Citizens Committee to End Violence in Vietnam and Alabama are all color film which had to be sent to New York for developing. The pictures have not been returned to Los Angeles.

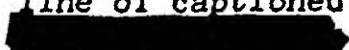
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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. Will endeavor to identify the participants in the picket line of captioned organization from the pictures taken by 

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Date: 3/23/65

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Via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-100-442529)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1129) (100-153735)

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
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Enclosed are 7 copies of a letterhead memorandum,
captioned and dated as above; three copies are enclosed
for the Atlanta and Mobile Offices.

The source of the information in the letterhead
memorandum was [REDACTED] a source close to CLARENCE JONES.

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1-New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (42)
1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) (42)
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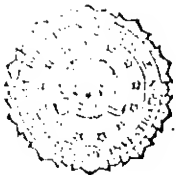
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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES

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*12-11-80*Re: Registrars of Voters,
Montgomery County, Alabama
Voting Discrimination
Civil Rights;
Election LawsCommunist Influence in
Racial Matters
Internal Security - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 23, 1965, that Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones were in discussion on that date concerning the march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama. In that regard, Levison asked Jones if it would be permissible for him to go down on Thursday (March 25, 1965) with the Americans for Democratic Action group. Jones said it would be all right. ~~X~~ (u)

Jones, in discussing his own plans, said he would accompany the delegation of bankers who would be going from New York to join Martin Luther King on his final day of the march. ~~X~~ (u)

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Re: Registrars of Voters,
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The source advised on March 19, 1965, that Ann Jones, the wife of Clarence Jones, was in conversation on that date with an unidentified woman concerning the march to Montgomery. In this regard Ann Jones tried to persuade the woman to go down on Thursday, and said she could accompany the group from the Americans for Democratic Action, which is scheduled to leave by plane at 5:00 a.m. and return the same day. *U*

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel
to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights,
15 East 40th Street, New York, New York. *U*

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The Labor Youth League has been designated
pursuant to Executive Order 10450. *U*

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2:43 PM EST URGENT 3-27-65 GP

TO DIRECTOR (62-10978)

FROM MIAMI (105-8387) 2P

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THREATS AGAINST THE PRESIDENT

AT TWELVE TWENTY PM. MARCH TWENTY SEVEN, NINETEEN

SIXTY FIVE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MIAMI BEACH, FLA., TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THE
MIAMI OFFICE AS FOLLOWS:

A WHITE MALE, AGE TWENTY SEVEN YEARS, FIVE FEET SIX
INCHES, WITH BLOND HAIR AND A FAIR COMPLEXION, REGISTERED
AS A GUEST AT THE [REDACTED] HOTEL, MARCH TWENTY THREE, NINETEEN
SIXTY FIVE, UNDER NAME OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TEXAS, AND ASSIGNED ROOM NUMBER ONE ONE NINE, WHERE
HE CONTINUES TO RESIDE. [REDACTED] EMPLOYED AS A COOK IN HOTEL
[REDACTED] ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] HAS BEEN IN
MIAMI BEACH SINCE [REDACTED] NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE. [REDACTED]

STATED [REDACTED] IS VERY HEAVY DRINKER OF INTOXICANTS AND WHILE
NOT WORKING HANGS OUT AT [REDACTED] BAR AND [REDACTED] BAR, NEAR HOTEL.

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TWO GUEST OF HOTEL HAVE COMPLAINED TO [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] TOLD THEM HE WAS GLAD PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS KILLED AND THAT IF PRESIDENT JOHNSON OR REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING COME TO MIAMI, HE WILL BE THE ONE THAT KILLS THEM. [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT HE WOULD SHOOT THE PRESIDENT AND REV. KING. THESE STATEMENTS BY [REDACTED] WERE MADE SEVERAL TIMES DURING THE PAST WEEK, MARCH TWENTY THREE THROUGH TWENTY SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BOTH OF TORONTO, CANADA, WHO ARE GUESTS AT THE [REDACTED] HOTEL.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT WHEN [REDACTED] THREATS PERSISTED HE TOOK IT UPON HIMSELF TO ENTER [REDACTED] ROOM SURREPTIOUSLY WITH ANOTHER HOTEL EMPLOYEE AND THEY DISCOVERED UNDER A LOUNGE CHAIR IN HIS ROOM A REVOLVER, CALIBER UNKNOWN. MIAMI INDICES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED]

THE FOREGOING WAS FURNISHED TELEPHONICALLY TO [REDACTED] SAC, SECRET SERVICE, MIAMI, FLA., AT TWELVE THIRTY PM ON MARCH TWENTY SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE. LHM IN PREPARATION AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU AND SECRET SERVICE, MIAMI, UPON COMPLETION.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

ROUTE 1 ENVELOPE

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
DATE: 3/31/65

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. D.J. Brennan
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Baumgardner

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On 3/31/65, we received the following request, through Liaison, from Mr. Fred Robinette, Executive Assistant to the Assistant Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service (Inspections). Robinette advised that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will conduct seminars in the near future on Equal Employment Opportunities. The Training Division of IRS has recommended Martin Luther King, Jr., among 19 individuals, as a guest lecturer at these seminars. Robinette made a name check request concerning King and the 18 other individuals.

You will recall that in December, 1964, with the Director's approval and after first checking with the White House, we disseminated to the heads of the intelligence community a paper entitled "Communism and the Negro Movement--A Current Analysis" wherein emphasis was given to the communist influence on King as well as facts relating to his immoral nature.

It is believed that we should now furnish to IRS in response to its request for information concerning King, a copy of the document referred to above. The Name Check Section of the General Investigative Division is separately handling the request concerning the 18 other individuals.

RECOMMENDATION:

Attached for approval is a letter to Mr. Robinette enclosing a copy of the paper entitled "Communism and the Negro Movement--A Current Analysis."

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Granada, Minnesota 56039

Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 31st has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I cannot be of help in this instance but trust you will understand the necessary reasons for this policy.

Enclosed is some material which I hope you will find informative.

Sincerely yours,



J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (4)

Our Heritage of Greatness
Senator Dodd's remarks 2/25/65
U. S. News & World Reports 12/7/64 and 12/21/64
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Granada Minn.
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J Edgar Hoover

Dear Sir

A group in our church have been meeting to study about church work, and also world conditions.

One Minister who spoke said Martin Luther King is a communist. Another Minister was horrified to think he would say such a thing about Martin Luther King..

So I am writing to get your opinion about the man.

Sincerely

[REDACTED]
Granada,
Minnesota 56039

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[REDACTED]
Granada, Minn. 56039

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Mr. Tolson	/
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about the man.

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Granada,

Minnesota 56039

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Las Vegas, Nevada

Dear [REDACTED]

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OTHERWISE.

Your letter of March 30th has been received.

Although I would like to be of assistance, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. In view of this, I am sure you will understand why I cannot comment along the lines of your inquiry. I want to assure you, however, that we are deeply aware of our responsibilities in the field of Internal Security and are meeting those responsibilities with thoroughness and dispatch.

I am enclosing some material on these topics which I hope you will find of interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (5)

The Federal Bureau of Investigation: The Protector of Civil Liberties
Time for Decision

Shall It Be Law or Tyranny?

Let's Fight Communism Sanely!

The FBI .. Guardian of Civil Rights

NOTE: Bufiles contain no information identifiable with correspondent. Bufiles and Izola W. Curry stabbed King in 1958; however, files do not reflect a dis-

WAM:dll (3) position concerning the local case against Izola W. Curry

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Miss Gandy	

March 30, 1965

Martin Luther King Jr.

Mr. Hoover,

I am bewildered, and mixed up. I need help in figuring out what is happening in our country, please help me.

I am 44 years old and was raised in east Harlem of N.Y.C.. During the early thirtys, I and my friends would go to a building at Madison Ave. and 126th street called the Finnish Hall for steam baths and recreation. Every so often there would be meetings and a few negroes would be there, at that time it was unusual to see negroes in that part of the city. Well, what I'm getting at is that I couldnt help hearing them talk every once in a while, and what they talked about then was all this racial trouble happening in the Southern states today. At the time us kids didnt understand what they were talking about and thought they were a bunch of nuts, but from what I see happening in the Southern states in the last few years I guess those nuts knew what they were talking about.

Mr. Hoover, I am not a highly educated person, but I am not so stupid that I don't notice what is happening in my country and its government. I have read your book and others on communism in our country, tell me, has the communist conspirisy succeeded?, is it to late to save our government from being taken over by these nuts and extremist?

I am a simple man, and I guess with a simple mind, so could you please answer a few questions for me.

In 1957 when Rev. King was autographing his book in a New York City Dept. store a negro woman by the name of Izzola Curry stabbed him with a letter opener, when questioned, she said she did it because King was a communist and planned on making trouble in the Southern states. Last I heard about this woman was that she was put in a nut house. Today it seems to me that King is not only making trouble in the South, but all over the United States, Izzola Curry must have known what she was talking about. Why wasnt she given a trial, why wasnt she questioned more about Martin King? Why is President Johnson encouraging these negro leaders and their followers to break the laws of the states and to cause trouble? Can't Mr. Johnson be arrested for encouraging all this racial unrest which leads to violence. I hear that certain members of the senate are demanding that the K.K.K. be investigated for unAmerican activities, every thing that happens in the south is blamed on the K.K.K. Why arent the following organizations and individuals being investigated for unAmerican activities? Mr. Warren and the Supreme Court,

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the State Dept., Walter Reuther and his brother who have visited Moscow and admitte they favoring a socialistic system in our country. The N.A.A.C.P. and its members, C.O.R.E. and its members, S.N.C.C. and its members, A.D.A. and the vice President, the anti defamation league of the Bnia Brith, who I think are sponsoring Lincoln Rockwell and his so called Nazi party, all the news agencys that slant the news in favor of the left wing cause in our country, the Carnage foundation and its board of directors, and hundreds of other organizations and indaviduals who are dedicated to the destruction of our way of life and our government.

Mr. Hoover, I am writting to you because I don't know who else to confide in and ask these questions, and besides you have been working with the government longer than any one else that I know of, and you should really know what is happening. Some times I think that I am cracking up, I get the feeling that I am being overwhelmed by Amos and Andy, Saffire and Kingfish, every time I read the papers or tern on the T.V. this is all I see or hear. Could this all be planned just to brain wash me?

I'm just a working stiff, I'll never be rich, but that is alright with me as long as I am free, My family and I don't want to be part of a flock of sheen guided by a shepperd. We want the government in this country of ours to be the way it used to be, the way it was meant to be by our founding fathers. There should be no place in our government for people with foreign ideologys. If the way I feel and think makes me a radical or a bigot, and a lot of other things the communist call a patriotic American, its O.K. with me, I just don't like the changes that are taking place in our government so fast.

Mr. Hoover please drop me a line when you have time and let me know what you think.

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Sincerely,

Las Vegas, Nev.

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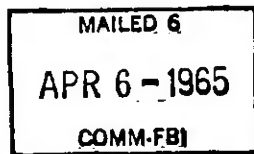
Dear **[REDACTED]**

Your letter of March 30th has been received.

With respect to your inquiries, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I cannot be of help in this instance but trust you understand the necessary reasons for this policy.

Enclosed is literature which I hope you will find informative.

Sincerely yours,



J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (4)

U.S. News & World Report 12-7-64
U.S. News & World Report 12-21-64
Our Heritage of Greatness
Remarks Made by Senator Dodd 2-25-65

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM: SAC, ESCONDIDO
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

1. On April 16, 1965, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] had been [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] on April 15, 1965.

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[REDACTED]
Duncombe, Iowa 50532

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Dear **[REDACTED]**

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Your letters of March 29th have been received,
and the thought which prompted you to write me is appreciated.

Although I would like to be of service, information
contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential
in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is
available for official use only. I regret that I am unable to be of
assistance but trust you will understand the reasons for this policy.
Furthermore, I would like to point out that Karl Prussion assisted
this Bureau by furnishing information on subversive activities
from November, 1949, to July, 1958, during which time he was
compensated; however, he was not a Special Agent. His personal
ventures and his opinions and comments are strictly his own and
the Bureau is not in a position to comment on these in any way
whatsoever.

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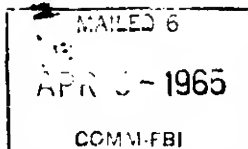
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With respect to your request, our supply of the
publications you desire is depleted except for the FBI Annual
Report for 1964 which includes a section on Domestic Intelligence.
I am enclosing a copy of it along with some material on the subject
of communism I hope will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover


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Enclosures (4)
FBI Annual Report for 1964
Communism--The Incredible Swindle
"Our Heritage of Greatness" 12-12-64
Let's Fight Communism Sanely!

NOTE: There is no record of  b7(c) in Bureau files. The leaflet which she asked about concerning Martin Luther King and the statement of Karl Prussion are well known to the Bureau and have been brought to our attention several times in the past. Zip code per envelope which was inadvertently destroyed.

TRUE COPY

12-11-80 SP4Jm/4
6076
Duncombe Iowa,
March 29, 1965

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir;

Several weeks ago I received a leaflet from
Los Angeles, Calif. that was taken from the Augusta Courier,
July 8, 1963. Across the top it was printed.

Martin Luther King - At Communist Training
school. Underneath was a picture of several negroes and whites.

It stated the above picture was made by an employee
of the state of Georgia, at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle,
Tennessee during the Labor Day week-end of 1957

The photographer was sent to the Highlander Folk
School by the Georgia Commission on Education. The Highlander
Folk School was abolished by an act of Legislature of the State of
Tennessee at a later date because it was charged with being a
subversive organization Those numbered in the picture are:

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fronts organizations More than any communist in the United States
He is promoted and encouraged by the Kenned'ys

2 Abner W. Berry of the Central Committee of the Communist Party

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3 Aubrey Williams, President of the Southern Conference Education
Fund, Inc., The Transmission Belt in the South for the Communist
Party.

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4 Myles Horton, Director of Highlander Folk School for Communist Training, Monteagle

These "Four Horseman" of racial agitation have brought tension, disturbance, strife and violence in their advancement of the communist doctrine of racial nationalism

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Alert Americans Association
Box 1222, L. A. 53

Order Right Wing Directory listing All Right Wing Activities.

I would like to know if the above are true in regards to King?
Also is this in the files of the FBI.

Thanking You.

Yours truly

/s/

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P. S. When questioned by Howard K Smith about the pictures circulated in Alabama about him he said he was there about 45 Min to give a speech.. I think it looks very much like a class room

March 29, 1965

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 of the Communist Party. CORRESPONDENCE

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I think it looks very much like a classroom

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1 - Mr. Forsyth
1 - Mr. Kleinkauf
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To: SACs, Atlanta (100-5586)
Knoxville

From: Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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Recently nationwide publicity has been given to a photograph of subject King purportedly taken at the Highlander Folk School (HFS). Others in the photograph have been described as communists and the allegation has been made that King's presence at the HFS proves his having attended a "communist training school." King has publicly answered this criticism by claiming that the photograph was taken at the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the HFS in 1957. He claimed that that was his only appearance at the HFS and that he was there for only about one hour in order to make an address which lasted about 45 minutes.

Bureau files reveal that the HFS, later known as the Highlander Research and Education Center, held its 25th Anniversary Celebration over the Labor Day weekend, 8/30-9/2/57.

The Bureau, of course, is aware of the nature of the HFS. It is desired, however, that available facts be obtained relative to King's presence at the HFS in order to substantiate or prove false his answer of the criticism.

Atlanta is instructed to immediately review its file concerning King and any other appropriate files for information which would tend to prove or disprove King's claim. Particularly note information indicating King's presence at the HFS on any occasions other than the single time he claims. If file review uncovers the identities of established reliable sources who might be helpful, leads should be set out for contact provided same can be done with full security insofar as preventing King's or unauthorized individuals' becoming aware of the Bureau inquiry.

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Airtel to SACs, Atlanta
Knoxville
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
100-106670

Knoxville is instructed to promptly review its file concerning the HFS and any other files for information which would prove or disprove King's claim. Be alert to the possibility of having established reliable sources contacted as indicated above for Atlanta.

Both offices should expedite this matter and reply by airtel. If information along the lines indicated has previously been submitted, furnish date and caption.

NOTE:

If we can obtain information disproving King's claim which he recently made before "Meet The Press," we would have some counter-intelligence possibility.

Date of Mail 6-1-65

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See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

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Subject JUNE MAIL *Martin Luther King Jr.*

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Seattle, Washington 98168

Dear [REDACTED]

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I received your letter of March 26th, with enclosure, and want to thank you for your interest in writing.

With respect to your inquiries, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I cannot be of help in this instance but trust you understand the necessary reasons for this policy.

Enclosed is literature which I trust you will find informative.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (5)
U.S. News & World Report, 12-7-64
U.S. News & World Report, 12-21-64
St. Louis Globe Democrat, 11-25-64
Our Heritage of Greatness
UPI Release, 11-30-64

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. Bufiles reflect that one [REDACTED] was listed on the Board of Reference of the Christian Anticommunist League in Lewiston, Maine, in September-October, 1961. The organization is self-described as an anticommunist group.

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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98168

Thursday
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Mr. Tolson _____
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J. Edgar Hoover
Director of FBI
Washington, D.C.

Mr. Hoover:

I prayerfully hope that this letter will be brought to your personal attention.

I am a Southern Baptist pastor in Seattle, Washington. I have pastored here for four years. I have been in the Northwest for six years. I was born and raised and educated in Texas and pastored many years there.

I am greatly interested in your views on Martin Luther King. I have great confidence in your leadership in our Country. I would greatly appreciate any information you could send to me regarding your charges against him.

I would also appreciate any documented evidence you could send to me regarding Dr. King and his religious affiliations. I am especially interested to know if Dr. King is a true Christian as we regard Christianity in our Country.

Sincerely,

Seattle, Washington 98168

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TO DIRECTOR /6/ AND ATLANTA

ATLANTA VIA WASHINGTON - ENCODED

FROM NEW YORK 2P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C

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BUFILE 100-106670 ATLANTA FILE 100-5586 AND NEW YORK FILE
100-136585.

AT FIVE ZERO SIX PM ON APRIL TWO LAST, MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR., BERNARD LEE AND ANDY YOUNG ARRIVED AT KENNEDY
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NEW YORK, ON EASTERN FLIGHT NUMBER
SIXTY FOUR. KING, LEE, AND YOUNG TOOK TAXI FROM AIRPORT
TO THE AMERICANA HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY, WHERE THEY REGISTERED
FOR ROOMS FOUR SIX ONE NINE-- TWO ONE.

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AT EIGHT ZERO FIVE AM ON APRIL THREE INSTANT, LEE
ARRIVED BY TAXI AT TWO HUNDRED WEST EIGHTEENTH STREET AND
KING WAS OBSERVED DEPARTING FROM THE BUILDING AND ENTERING
TAXI. TAXI PROCEEDED TO NEWARK AIRPORT WHERE KING AND LEE
DEPARTED FOR ATLANTA ON DELTA FLIGHT EIGHT ONE NINE, WHICH
WAS SCHEDULED TO DEPART AT ELEVEN ONE ZERO AM THIS DATE.
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ATLANTA ADVISED BY TELEPHONE.

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CC-MR. SULLIVAN

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Via AIRTEL

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-57229)

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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OO: ATLANTA

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Re Atlanta radiogram, 3/24/65; Atlanta teletype to the Bureau, 3/26/65 and Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau, 3/29/65.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) suitable for dissemination. Three (3) copies of the LHM are being furnished Atlanta and one copy each for information to New York, San Francisco, Baltimore and Mobile.

One copy of the LHM is furnished Mobile for their information only in view of the current situation and Mobile's desire to know the whereabouts of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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- 1 - San Francisco (Encl. 1) (INFO)
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- (1 - 157-new MARY V. BATISTE)

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AGENCY: ACSE, ONI, OSI, SEC. SER.

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BY: SP4 JRM/ML

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Per

Special Agent in Charge

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The pretext interview to the Reservation Desk, Statler Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, on 3/28/65, was made by SA [REDACTED]

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Indices of the Los Angeles Office contain no identifying data concerning MARY V. BATISTE, 9246 South Hobart Boulevard, Los Angeles.

There was no evidence uncovered indicating KING made any public appearances during his short stay in the Los Angeles area.

UACB, by Friday, 4/2/65, Los Angeles, as it has in the past, will conduct discreet inquiry utilizing only logical sources to more fully identify BATISTE, at which time the Bureau will be appropriately advised.

NEW YORK and Baltimore should be alert to the presence of King in their Divisions. Whenever he appears publicly, such as to address some group, an LHM should be submitted to the Bureau and Atlanta reporting on his presence. Include information available from news media and established sources. Conduct no investigation which would alert unauthorized persons of the Bureau's interest in KING and conduct no investigation which would jeopardize Atlanta's sources. The Bureau and Atlanta should be kept promptly advised of any changes in KING's schedule and of any pertinent developments relating to KING's appearances during his travels.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California
March 29, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to
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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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A source who has furnished reliable information in the past, on March 28, 1965 advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., accompanied by Bernard S. Lee, 334 Auburn Street, Atlanta, Georgia, arrived at Los Angeles International Airport from San Francisco, California, at approximately 5:40 p.m., March 28, 1965. King and Lee thereupon left the airport in a taxicab.

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A second source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that King and Lee registered at the Hyatt House, 5547 West Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and were assigned Room 220 and 221, respectively. King indicated he planned to stay at the Hyatt House for a visit of one or two days duration.

[REDACTED], advised information had been brought to his attention indicating that at approximately 10:30 p.m., King had made reservations on Delta Flight 820, leaving Los Angeles for Atlanta, Georgia, at 1:40 a.m., March 29, 1965.

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[REDACTED] advised King left Los Angeles on the indicated Delta flight and was scheduled to arrive in Atlanta, Georgia, at 9:35 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, March 29, 1965.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] b7(D)
[REDACTED] that King, accompanied by his assistant, Reverend Lee, was observed arriving at the Delta Airlines Passenger Terminal, in a late model Ford which was driven by an unknown female Negro. [REDACTED] the license number, FMH 179, indicated the vehicle was registered to Mary Batista, 9246 South Hobart Boulevard, Los Angeles. The source noted the woman driver did not accompany King or Lee to the boarding area but merely dropped the two men off at the Passenger Terminal, at approximately 1:20 a.m., March 29, 1965.

The "Los Angeles Herald-Examiner," a large daily metropolitan evening newspaper, issue dated March 29, 1965, published an exclusive article written by Bob Johnson and Howard Adelstein, Staff Writers, reflecting the results of what appeared to be a hurried interview between King and the reporters as King, accompanied by an unidentified Negro companion, left for Atlanta at 1:40 a.m., March 29, 1965 on Delta Flight 820. The article noted King was one of 35 passengers who departed under a no-name reservation and he was the last passenger to board the plane. In brief, the article disclosed that King described a proposed meeting of President Lyndon Baines Johnson with Ku Klux Klan leaders as "meaningless". King told the "Herald Examiner" reporters that a massive economic boycott against Alabama would not include an appeal for U. S. labor organizations to stage a one day work stoppage demonstration as previously reported. Dr. King is quoted as saying "I haven't referred to it as a work stoppage. I've referred to it as an economic boycott of Alabama products."

The article noted that King was in the Los Angeles area for the purpose of conferring with Reverend Thomas Kilgore, West Coast Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). King told reporters that "the Klan is clearly an un-American, undemocratic, unjust organization composed of hooded perpetrators of violence and I don't see why any meeting of this organization with President Johnson would have any meaning."

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MARTIN LUTHER KING

The reporters noted that King, while hurrying to catch his plane, referred to his Sunday action in San Francisco, as calling for an economic boycott against Mississippi, but rapidly corrected his slip of tongue by saying "I mean of Alabama."

Dr. King told the reporters he intended to attend the memorial services planned for Mrs. Viola Gregg Liuzzo in Detroit, Michigan. He also indicated to the reporters that details of the economic boycott to be called by the SCLC will be discussed in Baltimore on Thursday, April 1 and Friday, April 2, 1965 at a meeting of the SCLC Board which he will attend. The reporters noted that King disagreed with former President Truman's remarks that the civil rights march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, was "silly" and without results. King stated "the march did more to dramatize the injustices and indignities of Negroes in the South than anything else we have done."

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WOULD ARRIVE NEW YORK CITY ONE TWENTY FOUR PM THAT DATE AND THAT
HE WAS TO MEET HIM AT KENNEDY AIRPORT. RUSTIN TOLD HOROWITZ TO
INFORM HARRY WACHTEL OF HIS PLANS. & (u)

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NYO OBSERVED KING AND BERNARD LEE DEPART FROM AMERICAN AIRLINES
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MET BY BAYARD RUSTIN AND HARRY WACHTEL. REC-44 100-106670-1148

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

RELATED TO

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AND RUSTIN, ENTERED THE CITY SQUIRE, BROADWAY AT FIFTY FIRST STREET,
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ACCORDING TO "THE NEW YORK TIMES," MARCH THIRTY ONE, SIXTY FIVE,
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Tuscumbia, Alabama

Dear [redacted]

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Your letter of March 30th, with enclosure, has been received.

While I would like to be of assistance, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. In view of this, I am sure you will understand why I cannot comment concerning the individuals about whom you inquired.

I want to assure you that we are deeply aware of our responsibilities in the fields of internal security and civil rights and we are meeting these responsibilities with thoroughness and dispatch.

I am enclosing some material which I hope you will find of interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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The FBI's Role in the Field of Civil Rights
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 The FBI... Guardian of Civil Rights

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Tuscumbia, Ala,
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

This may get no further than a Secretary, but I do hope you will be able to read it. I am only a white house wife and mother in Alabama, but very much concerned with the way Alabama is being made a scapegoat for all the black & white Communists. What I would like to know is, have all these leaders been investigated? Are they set on destroying the United States by setting the blacks against the whites? We have enough problems without these added ones.

Contrary to what the Northern papers say & the Northern news men keep spitting out on the radio & TV news, the people in this little Southern town, part of the Tri-cities area, are on very good terms with the colored people. To quote what the colored woman that does my ironing says, "all we want is for them not to come here & start anything, we just want to be left alone." She is a fine person, so are the biggest majority of the colored people here. They have sorry colored people all over, just as we have sorry white people all over, not just in the South.

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It seems the people up north should concern themselves with their own problems and stop making problems for those that don't have any.

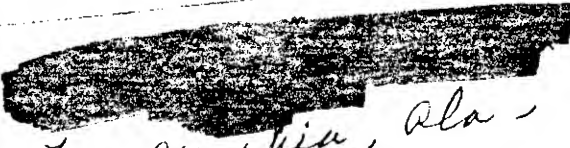
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--- EDITORIALS ---

Eliminate Courts And Have Warfare?

The suffering, humiliation, embarrassment, loss of lives and properties which have been placed on the Negro and white people of Alabama during the weeks of continuous demonstrations should cause all of Alabama to consider the paths along which they are being taken.

The problems of our great State and Nation should be settled in the courts and legislative halls — not in the streets and with impulsive calls for boycott and impeachment.

The unfair publicity, which has been spread again and again across the nation's front pages and TV screens against Alabama, has all of our peoples of both races in a dilemma. The extreme provocations which have led to the incidents of death and violence, have not been accurately reported.

Under tremendously adverse circumstances, the people of Alabama, both white and Negro, have shown admirable restraint.

Our only hope is that they will continue to do so.

Eventually the emotional binge which has taken the United States and on which the fires are being blazed higher and higher by the Martin Luther Kings, will die down and disappear. Meanwhile, it should be the hope of everyone that government by demonstration and street mob will not be substituted for government by law.

A gigantic publicity stunt has been developed with Alabama as the victim.

Former President Harry S. Truman, during whose administration, the U.S. Armed Services were integrated, said recently, "the racial demonstrations are silly and are nothing more than a means to get attention for certain individuals."

They are not only silly, they are deadly dangerous as has already been shown and their perpetrators are the ones who must someday answer for the deaths and destructive outbursts which have followed.

The thousands of outsiders are placing an unbearable burden upon local and State law enforcement agencies who are also the victims of the cry of "brutality" whenever force must be used.

Now an unfair and discriminatory voting rights measure has been prepared to solve all the problems — discrimination to overcome alleged discrimination. America truly is being ruled by emotion rather than common sense at the moment.

Let's hope this outburst of unfair sentiment will not long prevail.

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Tucumcari, New Mexico

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 18th, with enclosure,
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has been my long-standing policy not to comment on any
literature not prepared by me or personnel of the FBI.
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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: The article in "Fact Finder" is a pamphlet published as ^{DESCRIBED} and the enclosed copy presented a case inferring that Martin Luther King is associated with communist front organizations and is leading a racial movement for the benefit of the communists. It contains statements from Karl Prussion and makes reference to one quote by the Director. This quote was in substance similar to the testimony the Director gave to the House Committee on Appropriations on January 29, 1965, appearing on page 41 of this testimony. Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. "The Fact Finder" is apparently the official publication of the group called "We the People," a right-wing organization with headquarters at 111 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, which advocates limiting the tax-spending power of the Federal Government and eliminating government competition with private business. It is headed by Harry T. Everingham, a prolific writer of ultra-conservative tracts on economics and government. Everingham is well known to the Bureau.

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Will the Negroes Give Their Votes To the Communists?



MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., 1964

Is he a Martyr or a Marxist?
Negroes, like whites, should be allowed to qualify to register and vote AS INDIVIDUALS - not as a collective mass. However, it has long been the dream and scheme of the Communist Party, U.S.A. to take over the Southern states by registering all the Negroes there and leading them to the polls to vote as a bloc FOR COM-

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MUNIST CANDIDATES for city, state and federal government. Most Southerners knew this.

J. Edgar Hoover said, "The Communist Party is attempting to use the Negro movement, as it does everything else, to promote its own interests rather than the welfare of those to whom it directs its agitation and propaganda; (and) to exploit the militant forces of the Negro civil rights movement. The old Communist principle still holds: 'Communism must be built with non-Communist hands.' We do know that the Communist influence does exist in the Negro movement and it is this influence which is vitally important. It can be the means through which large masses are caused to lose perspective on the issues involved and, without realizing it, succumb to the Party's propaganda lures." Mr. Hoover gave this warning to Congress April 22, 1964.

Martin Luther King leads 1,000 Negroes into jail in a single day! Three hundred were arrested in Selma and 700 in Marlon, Ala. Most Americans agree that Negroes should have the right to qualify to vote. But does a police record give them that right? Can a convict vote?

Is it making them better citizens to teach them to develop and show open contempt for law and order?

STARTLING FACTS ON AFRICA



In the cause of better racial relations and national security, isn't it time that Americans of both races carefully examine Martin Luther King's Communist connections and begin to question his motives?

In London recently Martin L. King got off the subject of civil rights and advocated that Communist China be given a membership in the United Nations. What was his purpose? He said it would help toward disarmament efforts.

King calls his organization "the Southern Chris-

tian Leadership Conference." He is supposed to be a Christian minister - yet when Christian missionaries were being slain in the Congo by Communist-led rebel forces and foreign troops were called upon to rescue other Christian missionaries, Martin L. King called for the withdrawal of all foreign troops who had been called in to save these Christian missionaries from the savages who were agitated by the Communists.

In fact, Martin L. King went even further than that: He had five other American Negro leaders, including Roy Wilkins and James Farmer, join him in sending a joint letter to the President, demanding that our government withdraw all support of the legitimate Congolese government of Moise Tshombe, the great anti-Communist Negro leader - and instead give our support and blessing to the "Organization of African Unity" which is backed by the Red Chinese and the Russian Communists. Why does King line himself with them and against his own country and the anti-Communist effort? The answer can be found in Martin L. King's background and alliance with Communist-front organizations in this country.

CAN NEGROES WIN OUR RESPECT AND TRUST IF THEY FOLLOW THE COMMUNISTS' LEAD?

Martin Luther King plausibly claims that he has no Red connections. However, photographic evidence of his connection with known Communists in public functions of King's organization have been released by the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security and by the Louisiana Joint Legislative Committee on Un-American Activities. One photograph shows King with three identified Communists, Anne and Carl Braden and James E. Dombrowski. These were the principal speakers for King at his 6th Annual Conference of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference at Birmingham on Sept. 25-28, 1962. Another picture shows King, with other identified Communists, at the Communist training school at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tenn. during the Labor Day weekend of 1957. The photographer was sent to the school by the Georgia Commission on Education. The Highlander Folk School was later abolished by the Tennessee State Legislature because it was found to be a subversive organization.

(A copy of each of these photographs is avail-

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Harry Everingham is also editor and publisher of FREE ENTERPRISE, national newspaper of "action for patriots." He formerly wrote a syndicated column on dangers of the Communist-Socialist alliance in the U.S. He is now President of WE, THE PEOPLE!, national association for protection of private property and personal liberty, 111 N. Wabash, Chicago, Ill. 60602.

able on request to anyone ordering copies of this Fact Finder.)

Karl Prussion, former Communist and FBI informer, charges that Martin Luther King belongs to sixty Communist-front organizations - more than any Communist in the United States.



For about five years (1955-1960) King's secretary was Bayard Rustin, whose Communist background began in the Young Communist League at City College in New York in 1936. In World War II he was convicted as a draft dodger. In 1953 he was arrested with two men in Pasadena for "sex perversion." He pleaded guilty and served a term in Los Angeles City Jail. In February 1957 Rustin was one of eleven "impartial observers" invited by Communists to attend the 16th national convention of the Communist Party U.S.A. In 1958 Rustin went to the Soviet Union. Shortly after his return he organized Martin L. King's "March on Washington" - which the Communist paper, THE WORKER, called a Communist Party project. Rustin was second in command of the bigger "March on Washington" on August 28, 1963, which Martin L. King helped to organize and direct.

After Rustin left King in 1960, he was replaced by Jack H. O'Dell, who operates as a concealed member of the national committee of the Communist Party U.S.A., according to highly-authoritative sources quoted in the "St. Louis Globe-Democrat." (See article herein.) The Senate Internal Security Subcommittee had shown Jack O'Dell to have been the Communist Party district director in New Orleans up until at least the middle 1950's. Nevertheless, Martin L. King hired, retained and used O'Dell even though his Communist background had become a matter of public record.

King himself has a long record Communist-front activity. We quote from the "St. Louis Globe-Democrat" of December 3, 1964:

"On November 27, 1960, THE WORKER, a Communist newspaper, listed King among a number of

clergymen appealing to the President for either a new trial or clemency for one Morton Sobell who was convicted in 1951 for violation of the Espionage Conspiracy Statute.

"On May 2, 1961, the 'Atlanta Journal' quoted King as saying one-year jail sentences given Carl Braden and Frank Wilkinson show McCarthyism to be on the rise. King said he had no doubt the two were being punished for integration activities. Both reportedly refused to tell a Congressional committee in 1958 whether they were or had been Communists. One ex-Red had testified Braden was a Communist.

"On August 25, 1961, the Socialist Party publication, 'New America,' listed King among a number of others seeking to aid the imprisoned Junius Scales whose conviction for violation of the Smith Act had just been upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

"On May 14, 1961, THE WORKER stated that King had joined sixteen other Negro and white Southern 'leaders' in initiating a petition to President Kennedy denouncing the House Un-American Activities Committee and the Senate Internal Security subcommittee."

Definite proof of Martin L. King's connection between his organization and the Communist organization called "The Southern Conference Educational Fund," was found in documents obtained in a raid made on the S.C.E.F. headquarters in New Orleans on October 4, 1963, by the State of Louisiana's Joint Legislative Committee on Un-American Activities.

Here is what this official government investigating committee had to say in its report of April 13, 1964 concerning Martin L. King and his organiza-



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tion, "the Southern Christian Leadership Conference."

"The Committee finds that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee are substantially under the control of the Communist Party through the influence of the Southern Conference Educational Fund and the Communists who manage it. . .

"The evidence presented to us in the two hearings recorded in this report solidly confirms our prior findings that the Southern Conference Educational Fund is in fact a Communist Front and a Subversive Organization. The Southern Conference Educational Fund is managed and operated by Communist(s) and has obvious multiple connections with other Communist Front organizations. It has openly supported many well-identified Communists and Communist causes. It has published and distributed Communist political propaganda written by and about well-identified Communists setting forth the Communist propaganda line. We reaffirm our previous findings regarding the Southern Conference Educational Fund and our conclusion that James A. Dombrowski, Executive Director of the SCEF, is and has long been, a 'concealed Communist.'

"The infiltration of the Communist Party into the so-called 'Civil Rights' movement through the SCEF is shocking and highly dangerous. We do not suggest, nor believe, that everyone connected with the civil rights movement is a Communist. There are many sincere and well-meaning people involved in this cause. We do suggest and the evidence before us is quite conclusive, that the civil rights movement has been grossly and solid-

ly infiltrated by the Communist Party. . . . 'he evidence before us shows clearly that Martin Luther King has very closely connected his organization, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, with the SCEF and the Communist personalities managing the SCEF. This has been going on for some four and a half years. By thus connecting himself with the Communists, Martin Luther King has cynically betrayed his responsibilities as a Christian Minister and the political leader of a large number of people. It is the hope of the Committee that this report will enlighten his followers and supporters as to his true allegiance and purposes.'

Whether or not Martin Luther King is a Communist, he is preparing Negroes to respond to Communist leadership when he encourages them to show an open defiance for law and order. Negroes who learn that they can defy law enforcement authorities are ripe as leaders or followers in race riots in any part of the country. They should be warned against such dangerous tactics.

Every American should know where race riots stand in the plans for the Communist takeover. This plan was exposed by a former Communist, Kenneth Goff, to a Congressional Committee. . .

THE COMMUNIST PLAN FOR TAKING OVER AMERICAN CITIES

"At that hour large race riots are supposed to take place in every city of any size. Leaders of these mobs are to be carefully chosen and trained in advance (to work on both sides). The disturbances are to be of some extent so as to require sending large forces of police to those areas. While the authorities are trying to quell these riots, picked bands of Reds are to seize the radio and TV stations and telephone exchanges. With the aid of their comrades, who are employed inside, all communication systems are to be instantly crippled, or taken over.

"Flying squads of Communists are to seize control of the water supply and shut it off; also the electrical power and gas. This means that no elevators or streetcars, subways or electric buses would be running. Other buses would be seized. Homes would be without water, fuel, light or telephone. It would be impossible to communicate with friends or loved ones, even in another part of the city.

"Goon squads of professional murderers would round up the people in the business districts. Men are to be held as hostages in some of the larger buildings. Women are to be turned over to the sex-crazed mobs unless the men surrender.

"These are exactly the methods used in Rus-

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Negroes how to prepare weapons to keep "forces of the state under pressure in many places simultaneously." They are told, "Gasoline fire bombs (Molotov cocktails), lye, or acid bombs (made in light bulbs), can be used extensively. . . Hand grenades, bazookas, light mortars, rocket launchers, machine guns and ammunition can be bought clandestinely from service men, anxious to make a fast dollar. . . Explosive booby traps on police telephone boxes can be employed. High-powered sniper rifles are readily available. Armor-piercing bullets will penetrate oil storage tanks from a distance. Phosphorus matches (kitchen matches) placed in air-conditioning systems, will cause delayed explosions which will destroy expensive buildings. Flame throwers can be manufactured at home. . . The mighty U.S. is not as smug or secure as it once was.

(Monthly Newsletter published in June 1964 by Robert F. Williams, fugitive Negro Communist now operating in Cuba.)



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sia, Spain and other places where the Communist Party was allowed to organize and come to fruition. They expect to do the same thing in the United States.

"Bridges, subways and railroad stations are to be blown up and airports seized. Downtown areas are to be isolated from the rest of the city. Sharpshooters and snipers are to be detailed in taxicabs and private cars, which are to be taken over to wipe out the police, soldiers, uniformed persons and known vigilantes. Smoke bombs, properly located in subways, buildings and large stores, are to add to the terror of the people.

"When night comes, the city is to be in pitch darkness. Murderous bands of Reds will roam the streets, plundering shops and stores, and starting fires in old buildings. This will increase the panic and facilitate the surrender of women, children and old people, who will be held as hostages to hasten the surrender of men.

"Then, as the morning's sun casts its first rays on the community, one will be able to see blood flowing in the streets. This is no idle dream. The Communist Party is working methodically and with deliberate precision toward this objective. IT CAN HAPPEN HERE. Unless we destroy the Red menace in America, the day is at hand when we shall suffer the same fate as our brethren in Europe."



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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

DATE: 4-4-65

1 - Sullivan
1 - Baumgardner
1 - Wannall
1 - Wagoner

At 9:00 pm, 4-4-65 SA [redacted] New York case agent telephonically furnished the following data re New York's coverage of subject. Teletype summary will be furnished Bureau by New York prior to 8:00 am, 4-5-65.

King was scheduled to arrive New York from Atlanta, Georgia at 7:36 PM via Delta Airlines flight 816. New York agents covered the arrival of this flight, however subject was not observed.

King was to be in New York for purpose of attending fund raising activity at Majestic Theater entitled "Answer to Selma" where various celebrities were also in attendance. As of 9:00 pm, 4-4-65 subject had not been observed at this function, by Bureau agents.

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SC
V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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under court order of U.S. District Judge John Lewis
Smith, Jr., and sent to National Archives.

New York agents will continue their coverage at the Majestic Theater in an effort to locate subject and verify his attendance at this function. Coverage will also be afforded Delta flight 973 departing New York City 8:40 am, 4-5-65 for Atlanta in effort to verify subject's departure (It is noted that subject had reservations on this flight for return to Atlanta).

ACTION:

For information.

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☐ AIRGRAM ☐ CABLEGRAM ☐ RADIO ☒ TELETYPE

7:48 PM EST 4-5-65 URGENT THW
 TO DIRECTOR, MIAMI AND NEW YORK
 NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON-ENCODED
 FROM ATLANTA 052345

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR, SM-C.

ATLANTA SOURCE STATED TODAY THAT KING IS GOING ON VACATION POSSIBLY TO BIMINI ISLAND OFF THE COAST OF FLORIDA. KING TOLD BAYARD RUSTIN, A NYC ADVISOR, THAT HE WILL BE AT THE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL IN MIAMI TOMORROW NIGHT AND WANTED RUSTIN TO CALL HIM THERE ABOUT AN UNKNOWN MATTER.

KING'S SCHEDULED FLIGHT FROM ATLANTA UNKNOWN BUT STATED HE WILL BE LEAVING FOR MIAMI ABOUT NOON TOMORROW.

MIAMI DISCREETLY ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE KING'S ACTIVITIES AND TRAVELS THROUGH ESTABLISHED SOURCES. TAKE NO ACTION THAT WILL ALERT KING ON UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS OF BUREAU INTEREST. LHM FOLLOWS.

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~~REDACTED~~
Louisville, Kentucky 40207

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Dear ~~REDACTED~~

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FBI

I received your letter of March 28th
and want to thank you for your interest in writing
as well as your kind sentiments concerning my work.
I can assure you we will strive to merit your continued
approval.

With respect to your inquiry, information
contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as
confidential in accordance with regulations of the Depart-
ment of Justice and is available for official use only.
I regret I cannot be of help in this instance but trust you
understand the necessary reasons for this policy.

Enclosed is literature which I trust you
will find informative.

Sincerely yours,

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~~REDACTED~~ Hoover

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U. S. News and World Reports 12-21-64
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St. Louis Globe Democrat 11-25-64

Our Heritage of Greatness

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

TRUE COPY

March 28, 1965

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

[REDACTED]

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John R. 40201

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Many of my friends are confused by events taking place in connection with the Civil Rights Movement, but above all in the minds of all of us there is a big interrogation mark next to the name of Dr. Martin Luther King. We want to know if this man is communist. We don't care to know if he is affiliated with the party or is a card-carrying member. We simply want to know if he is communist.

We have no other source on whose integrity we can rely as on you. Your years of service as head of the F. B. I. speak for themselves.

For those who at this late date would try to discredit you and yours, we say "pooh on them"

Whatever you answer will be passed on to my friends.

I sincerely hope this finds you in the very best of health and remember there are so very many of us who deeply appreciate you and thank God you are the head of the F. B. I.

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 30, 1965

FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

SUBJECT

Naches, Washington
INFORMATION CONCERNING

b7(c) [REDACTED] called at 3:25 a.m., today and spoke with Night Supervisor [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] requested the current residence address of Martin Luther King. [REDACTED] was advised that FBI had no facilities to provide current addresses of persons residing in U.S. FBI jurisdiction and confidential nature of FBI files was explained to [REDACTED]

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with [REDACTED]

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1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Rachner

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AIRTEL

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan

To: SAC, Jacksonville

From: Director, FBI

PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA
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Special Agent [REDACTED] United States Secret Service, telephonically advised that he had received a collect call this date, which he refused to accept, from the captioned individual. He said the captioned individual definitely sounded intoxicated and merely mentioned that he had information regarding an assassination attempt on Martin Luther King. SA [REDACTED] was unable to furnish any additional information.

Bureau indices contain no record on [REDACTED]

Jacksonville attempt to locate and interview [REDACTED] for any information he may possess regarding the possible assassination of King. Submit results to Bureau promptly.

NOTE: Call received at 5:23 PM, 4-4-65 by SA [REDACTED] extra duty supervisor, Special Investigative Division.

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TO DIRECTOR 6 AND ATLANTA

ATLANTA VIA WASHINGTON - ENCODED

FROM NEW YORK 2P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM - C.

RE NEW YORK TEL APRIL THREE AND FOUR, SIXTYFIVE, AND ATLANTA TEL
APRIL THREE, SIXTYFIVE.

HERE FOLLOWS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS TO KING-S ACTIVITIES IN
NEW YORK ON NIGHT OF APRIL FOUR, SIXTYFIVE, AND APRIL FIVE, SIXTYFIVE..

KING ATTENDED BENEFIT PERFORMANCE ENTITLED "BROADWAY ANSWERS SELMA", WHICH WAS HELD AT EIGHT O-CLOCK PM, APRIL FOUR, SIXTYFIVE, AT MAJESTIC THEATRE, TWO FOUR FIVE WEST FORTY-FOURTH STREET, NYC. FOLLOWING THE BENEFIT, KING LEFT THE THEATRE AT ELEVEN FORTYFIVE PM AND ENTERED CAR OF HARRY BELAFONTE WHICH WAS WAITING IN FRONT OF THEATRE. ALL TRAFFIC ON WEST FORTY-FOURTH STREET WAS STOPPED BY NYCPD UNTIL CAR HAD CLEARED STREET, THUS PREVENTING SAS TO SURVEIL IN BUREAU CARS WITHOUT REVEALING BUREAU-S INTEREST IN CASE.

SURVEILLANCES WERE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT NIGHTON TWO HUNDRED,
WEST EIGHTEENTH STREET AND AT SOME OF HOTELS IN WHICH HE HAS
STAYED., HOWEVER, HE WAS NOT OBSERVED.

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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AT EIGHT FORTY AM, APRIL FIVE, SIXTYFIVE, SAS OBSERVED
KING AND LEE BOARDING DELTA FLIGHT NINE SEVEN THREE, KENNEDY
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ENROUTE TO ATLANTA.

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To: SACs, Atlanta (100-5586)
Tampa

From: Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM - C

ReBUairtel 3/31/65, copies to Tampa, which enclosed a letterhead memorandum (LHM) of same date reporting an allegation by [REDACTED] that a former cellmate of his at the [REDACTED] Florida, [REDACTED] had tried to get [REDACTED] involved in a plot to kill Subject King. Information was also reported from New York State Police investigator indicating a questionable mental status for [REDACTED]. Reairtel set out a lead for Tampa to locate and interview [REDACTED].

ReBUairtel 4/1/65, copies to Atlanta and Tampa, which forwarded Atlanta copies of the 3/31/65 airtel and LHM and also reported additional information from [REDACTED] to the effect that [REDACTED] has since probably been released from prison. Other information is reported to the effect that [REDACTED] often spoke of making a business of shooting people and that inmates at the [REDACTED] considered [REDACTED] a "blowhard."

As there is no apparent violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction, Tampa should disregard lead to locate and interview [REDACTED].

Atlanta should, in accordance with prior instructions, furnish information in the LHM to the Atlanta, Georgia, Police Department (PD). Also advise the Atlanta PD of the information contained in the 4/1/65 airtel.

For the information of Buffalo and Atlanta, the additional information obtained from Washbon 3/31/65 is being added to page five of referenced LHM.

1 - Buffalo (100-18626)

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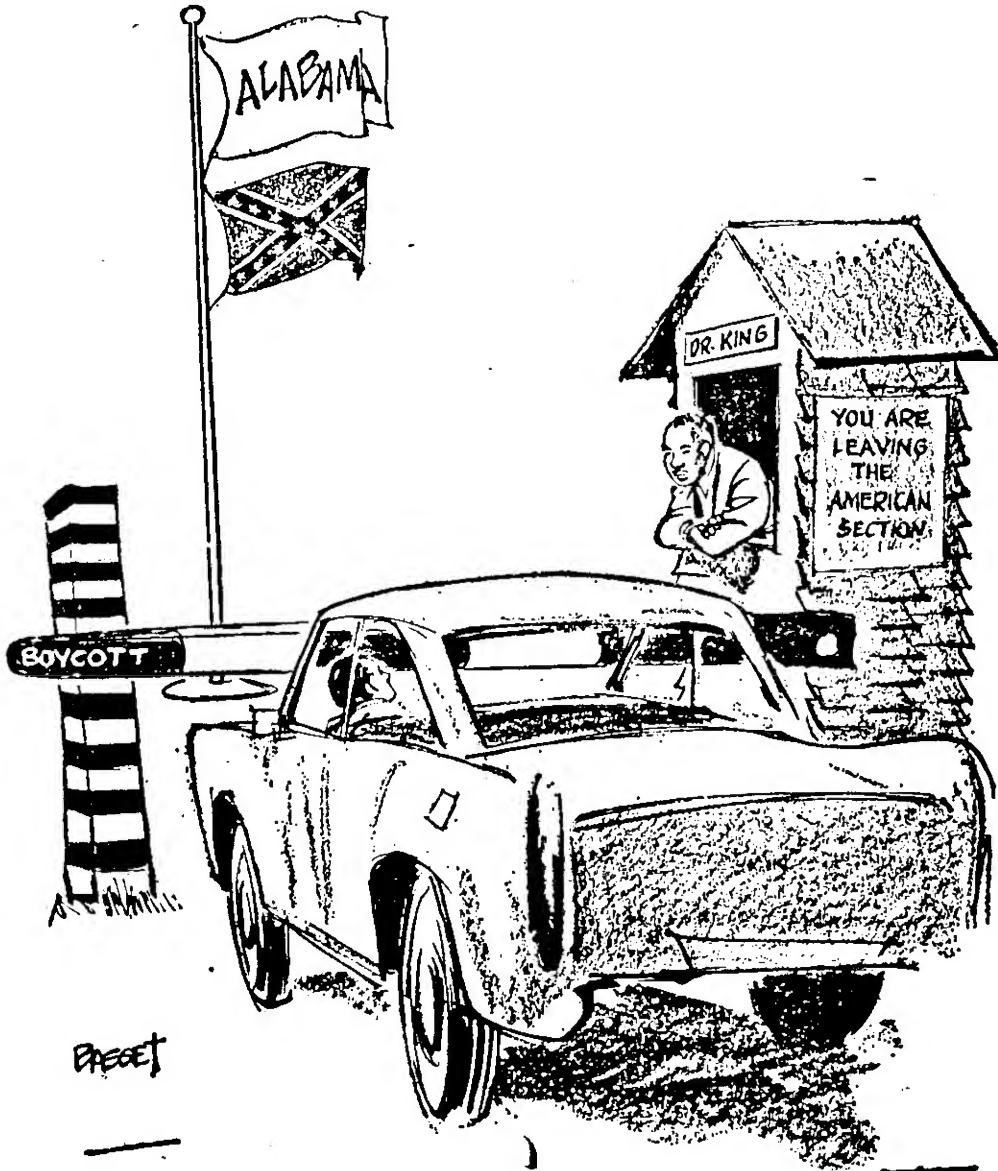
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Via AIRTEL _____

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-731)(RUC)

CHANGED:

ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE
 MARTIN LUTHER KING
 [REDACTED]
 RACIAL MATTERS

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Re Baltimore teletype to Bureau and other offices, 3/30/65, and Charlotte teletype to Bureau and Baltimore, 3/30/65, both entitled, "ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, RACIAL MATTERS," and Bureau airtel to Baltimore, Charlotte, and Philadelphia, 4/1/65, entitled, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM - C."

Title of this communication and the enclosed LHM changed to include the name [REDACTED]

There are enclosed for the Bureau 8 copies and for Atlanta and Baltimore 2 copies each of LHM, setting out results of inquiry by Charlotte as instructed by Bureau airtel, 4/1/65.

Contact with members of the SO, Sanford, N.C., on 3/30/65 was done telephonically by SA [REDACTED]

No local dissemination of LHM is being made by Charlotte.

cc - Wick: ENCLOSURE

- ③ - Bureau (Enc. 8)
- 2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Baltimore (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Charlotte (1 - 157-731)(1 - MARTIN LUTHER KING)

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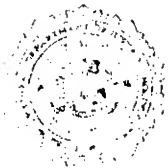
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Sanford, North Carolina
March 11, 1965

ALLIED FORCE TO ASSASSINATE
MARTIN LUTHER KING

RACIAL MATTERS

and [REDACTED] both of the Sheriff's Office, Sanford, North Carolina, stated they have no knowledge of any incident near Sanford about March 4, 1965, wherein an officer was disarmed by a man with a machine gun or any other weapon. b7/g

Both stated they were sure they would have heard if any such incident had occurred in that area.

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Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM:

SAC, TAMPA (157-O)

ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE MARTIN LUTHER KING
RM

ReMMtel to Bureau and Baltimore, 3/30/65.

A review of the files of the Tampa Division concerning [REDACTED] as to any possible indication of mental instability, noted that this individual was the subject of a theft from interstate shipment case in 1961. Savannah was office of origin. In connection with this case investigation was conducted by the Philadelphia Office, and it was indicated that Philadelphia had been informed by [REDACTED] father that he, [REDACTED] had been under the care of [REDACTED] a psychiatrist located at [REDACTED] Pennsylvania. Address of the father, [REDACTED] at that time was [REDACTED] Pennsylvania. The files of the Tampa Office do not reflect the results of any contact with the psychiatrist concerning the mental condition of this individual.

A copy of the Baltimore teletype to the Bureau dated 3/30/65 with the background of instant matter is being furnished to Savannah and Philadelphia, so that any information in the files of these offices concerning this individual can be furnished to the Bureau.

- ③ - Bureau
2 - Baltimore
2 - Savannah (15-1636)(Enc. 1)
2 - Philadelphia (15-9403)(Enc. 1)
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[REDACTED]
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear [REDACTED]

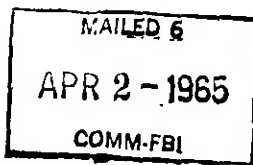
Your letter of March 27th, with enclosure, has been received, and I want to thank you for your complimentary comments. You may be sure I will strive to merit your continued approval.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I cannot be of help in this instance but trust you understand the necessary reasons for this policy. I can assure you that this Bureau is ever cognizant of its jurisdictional responsibilities, and we will make every effort to continue to discharge our obligations with the highest degree of thoroughness and dispatch.

Enclosed is literature which I trust you will find informative.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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Louisville, Kentucky
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Dear Mr. Hoover

Enclosed you will find a picture
 of Martin Luther King supposedly
 attending a Communist training
 School at Monteagle, Tennessee.

I would like to know if this
 story is true?

Under the Present Circumstances,
 it becomes the duty of every American
 and every government agency, in the
 interest of internal security, to reveal
 to the American People the truth about
 and the record of each individual,
 regardless of race, creed, religion,
 position or rank, who is involved

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ENCLOSURE

ack 4-1-65 DFC: jma mel

CORRESPONDENCE

in inciting white and negro
Americans against each other and
creating a Divided America.

Before the Hour is too late -----

I urge you to speak out --- too
Expose the hypocrites, liars, ~~self-seekers~~
and Communist who are using
the Civil Rights issue and the negro
people to Divide and Destroy
this Great Country of ours.

You are one of the few people
left all Americans Trust - my
Prayer is that Silence will not be
your greatest mistake.

Best Regards to a Great American

b7(c) [REDACTED]

TRUE COPY

Louisville, Kentucky
March 27, 1965

Dear Mr. Hoover

Enclosed you will find a Picture of Martin Luther King supposedly attending a Communist training School at Monteagle, Tennessee.

I would like to know if this story is True?


Under the Present Circumstances, it becomes the duty of every American and every government Agency, in the interest of internal security, to reveal to the American People the truth about and the record of each individual, regardless of race, creed, religion, Position or rank, who is involved in inciting White and Negro Americans against each other and creating a Divided America.

Before the Hour is too late-----I urge you to speak out ----too expose the hypocrites, bigots, self-seekers and Communist who are using the Civil Rights issue and the Negro People to Divide and Destroy this Great Country of ours.

You are one of the few People left all Americans Trust - my Prayer is that Silence will not be your Greatest mistake.

Best Regards to a Great American

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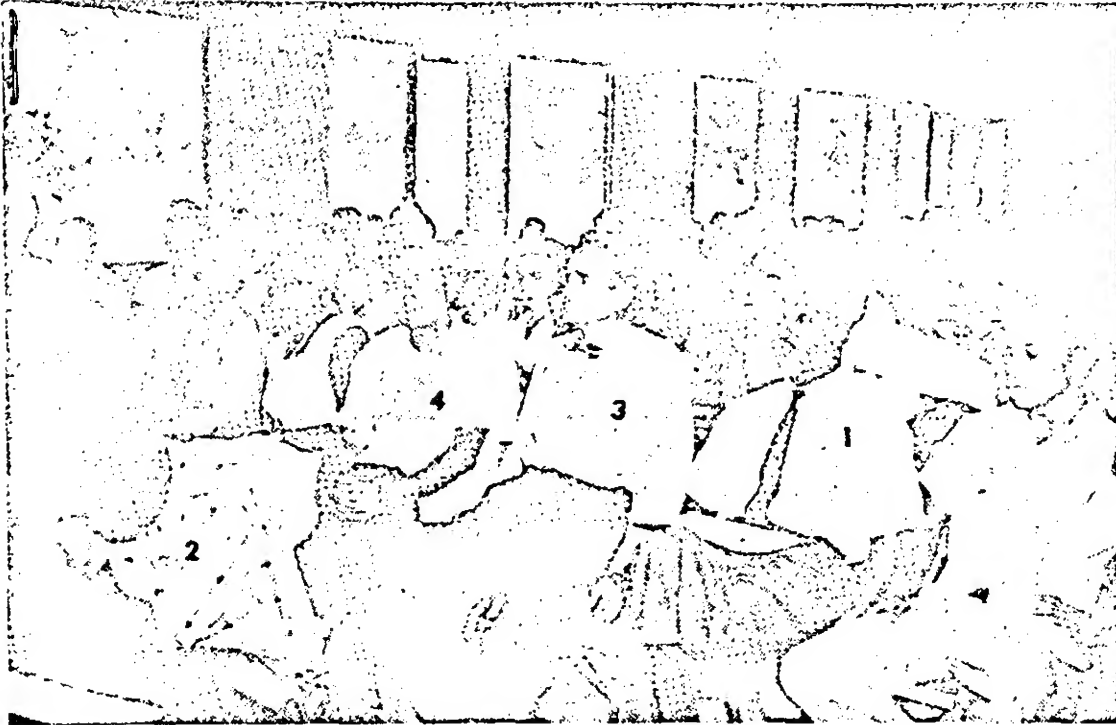

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The above picture was made by an employee of the State of Georgia, at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee during the Labor Day week-end of 1957. The photographer was sent to the Highlander Folk School by the Georgia Commission on Education. The Highlander Folk School was abolished by an act of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee at a later date because it was charged with being a subversive organization.

Those numbered in the picture are:

1. Martin Luther King, Jr., of the Montgomery boycott and the Birmingham riots. Karl Prussion, a counterspy for the FBI for twenty-two years, charges that Martin Luther King belongs to sixty Communist-front organizations — more than any Communist in the United States. He is promoted and encouraged by the Kennedys.
2. Abner W. Berry of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.
3. Aubrey Williams, President of the Southern Conference Education Fund, Inc., The Transmission Belt in the South for the Communist Party.
4. Myles Horton, Director of Highlander Folk School for Communist Training, Monteagle, Tennessee.

These "Four Horsemen" of racial agitation have brought tension, disturbance, strife and violence in their advancement of the Communist doctrine of "racial nationalism."

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

NOTE: There is no record of [REDACTED] in Bufiles. Telegram being sent

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FBI DIRECTOR WASHDC

IS IT TRUE, OR NOT TRUE, THAT THE FBI HAS EVIDENCE THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING IS CONNECTED WITH COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATION.

WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU. PLEASE WIRE ME COLLECT

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RE:

BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Tucson, Arizona

Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 25th has been received, and I am indeed encouraged to know of your support and want to thank you for your generous comments concerning my administration of the FBI. It is hoped that our future endeavors will continue to meet with your approval.

While I would like to be of service, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I am unable to be of assistance to you in this instance but trust you will understand the reasons for this policy. Concerning my reference to Reverend Martin Luther King as being a "liar," I did so because he had publicly made several untrue statements without any attempt to obtain the truth. For example, he claimed that all FBI Agents assigned to the Albany, Georgia, Resident Agency were southern born when, as a matter of fact, four of the five assigned to Albany were northern born and another such claim that FBI Agents will not act on civil rights complaints because they are southerners. The latter statement can be disputed by noting that seventy per cent of our Agents currently assigned to the South were born in the North.

Enclosed is some material I hope you will find of interest.

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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Our Heritage of Greatness
U. S. News & World Report, 12-21-65
The FBI's Role in the Field of Civil Rights
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NOTE: We have had one prior correspondence with [REDACTED] dated 2-10-58. There is nothing derogatory concerning her in Bufiles.

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Mar. 25, 1965

My dear Mr. Hoover,

I have long been an admirer of you and the work you have done in and for our country.

Today, as I listened to Dr. Martin Luther King, I was reminded of your comment concerning this man.

I would like to ask you several questions. What kind of a school did Dr. King attend while he was in Russia? Why do you call him a liar? Is he a communist, or is he communist inspired?

I would appreciate hearing from you concerning my questions.

You have served long & faithfully in a trying but important position, & I personally want to congratulate you on a job well done.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Tucson, Arizona

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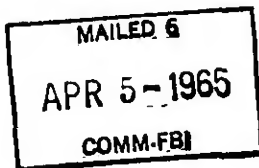
Your letter of March 29th has been received.

While I certainly would like to be of service to you, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. Therefore, I trust you will understand why I am not in a position to be of help in this instance.

Enclosed is some literature I trust will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures (5)

Remarks Made By Senator Thomas J. Dodd 2/25/65
Our Heritage Of Greatness
Domestic Intelligence
U. S. News & World Report 12/7/64
U. S. News & World Report 12/21/64

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Gentlemen:

I have a problem which I hope you can help us
solve. This problem concerns Dr. Martin Luther King.

I believe he is a devout Christian, a remarkable
man who is trying to lead his people to freedom, with-
out violence or blood-shed. However the other day I saw
a large poster in a public place saying he ^{Dr. King} is communist
and many of my friends believe this. There is much
discussion about this.

Can you prove these reports are false or is there
any proof in your records that would substantiate this
claim.

I would sincerely be thankful for any information
you can give me.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Oostburg, Wis.

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Date: 3/26/65

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Mr. Mohr	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-722) (P)

CHANCES:

THREAT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING
 MARCH 24, 1965
 RACIAL MATTERS

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The title is changed to show the aliases of [redacted] and to add the name of [redacted]. The title was formerly carried as "THREAT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING BY [redacted] DURHAM, N. C., MARCH 24, 1965, RACIAL MATTERS."

Re Charlotte teletype 3/24/65 to Bureau, Mobile and Selma; Bureau teletype to Charlotte 3/24/65; Charlotte teletype to Atlanta 3/25/65; Charlotte teletype to Bureau, Atlanta, Mobile, Selma and New York 3/25/65.

There are enclosed for the Bureau 8 copies; for Atlanta, Mobile and New York 4 copies each; and for Jackson 2 copies of a letterhead memo.

- 3-Bureau (Encs. 8) (RM)
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Contacts with [REDACTED] and police officers at Durham were handled by SA [REDACTED] except that the interview of [REDACTED] on 3/25/65 was by SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED].

On 3/24/65 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in effort to identify [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] identified [REDACTED] of [REDACTED], to SA [REDACTED] as a convicted bank robber and upon interview this individual was found to be the one who had made the original call [REDACTED].

By teletype of 3/24/65 Mobile was requested to immediately notify military intelligence and local and state law enforcement officers. In accordance with Bureau teletype of 3/24/65 Atlanta was furnished information received so that the Atlanta PD could be advised. Teletype of 3/25/65 was also furnished to New York so local authorities could be advised concerning JAMES FARMER.

Jackson is being furnished copies of the letterhead memo for information in view of the connection of the Durham Citizens Council.

On 3/25/65 [REDACTED] was instructed, upon his inquiry, by SAs [REDACTED] to make no attempt to recontact [REDACTED] in this matter, but in the event of a contact by [REDACTED] he should delay and notify the FBI. [REDACTED] agreed to do this. In the interview on 3/25/65 [REDACTED] said he has no intention of harming FARMER or KING.

Charlotte will follow this matter with RAY for any further developments.

Copies being designated to military intelligence agencies and Secret Service locally.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Charlotte, North Carolina
March 26, 1965

RE: [REDACTED]

THREAT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING
MARCH 24, 1965
RACIAL MATTERS

About 11:35 A. M. March 24, 1965, an individual identifying himself only as [REDACTED] telephonically contacted the Durham, North Carolina, Resident Agency of the FBI and asked whether information concerning killing of MARTIN LUTHER KING would be of interest. The caller inferred he himself had just finished serving a long prison sentence. He declined to furnish his whereabouts or any more details but agreed to come immediately to the Durham Resident Agency, which he failed to do.

[REDACTED] March 24, 1965, an individual identifying himself as [REDACTED] contacted the Durham Resident Agency. [REDACTED] stated that at about [REDACTED] on March 23, 1965, he received a telephone call at his residence from an individual identifying himself as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] had said that a [REDACTED] whose name was not given, gave him [REDACTED] name. [REDACTED] according to [REDACTED] stated he was on his way to Alabama and was wanting the help of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] further said he was calling about MARTIN LUTHER KING and his associates. [REDACTED] asked whether [REDACTED] would help him if he were caught after doing what he was going to do.

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RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated he informed [REDACTED] would not enter into any conspiracy and asked [REDACTED] what he intended to do. [REDACTED] replied he was going to "bust KING wide open." [REDACTED] said he then advised [REDACTED] they had nothing to talk about and terminated the conversation.

[REDACTED] said he had made some inquiries [REDACTED] but failed to develop anyone knowing [REDACTED] said he would immediately notify the FBI in the event he was contacted by [REDACTED] or received any further information about him.

Efforts through the Durham Police Department and [REDACTED] to identify [REDACTED] were unsuccessful on March 24, 1965.

On March 25, 1965, [REDACTED] Durham, North Carolina, was interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI at Durham. [REDACTED] related as follows:

On Tuesday, March 23, 1965, he was at the [REDACTED] North Carolina, operated by [REDACTED] got in conversation with [REDACTED] and then [REDACTED] introduced to [REDACTED] took to a car believed to have been a Ford Station Wagon. There [REDACTED] expressed hatred of Negroes and asked [REDACTED] if [REDACTED] would shoot JAMES FARMER, Executive Director of Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and/or MARTIN LUTHER KING. [REDACTED] said he would do so if the price were right and the money was "on the line." [REDACTED] claimed [REDACTED] asked whether [REDACTED] would try to get a shot at KING or FARMER in Selma, Alabama, for \$5000 and said that [REDACTED] exhibited a photograph of FARMER.

[REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] had pointed out it was unlikely that a person shooting either FARMER or KING in Alabama, Louisiana, or Mississippi, would be convicted of any serious crime.

[REDACTED] continued that [REDACTED] again met him in the station wagon near the [REDACTED] on the evening of

RE: [REDACTED]

March 24, 1965. He mentioned sending [REDACTED] to Jackson, Mississippi, to contact an undisclosed person there. [REDACTED] also indicated he would arrange to secure a rifle for [REDACTED], since all [REDACTED] had was a long barrel .38 caliber Smith and Wesson pistol. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] gave him \$20.

[REDACTED] acknowledged he was the individual who had telephoned the Durham Resident Agency of the FBI on March 24, 1965, and said he had not kept the appointment because of rain.

[REDACTED] stated that he has no intention of harming FARMER or KING and will notify the FBI if he receives any further request along this line.

[REDACTED] stated he himself had served approximately 25 years for a robbery in 1942 of a bank in Hyattsville, Maryland. He stated since he was released he has been making liquor in the vicinity of [REDACTED] North Carolina, and that he recently paid a fine at [REDACTED], North Carolina, for public drunk and carrying a concealed weapon, a pistol. During this interview [REDACTED] was in possession of a quart bottle of wine with the larger portion of it gone.

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as follows:

Race:	White
Age:	37
Height:	About 5 feet 8 inches
Features:	Round face

[REDACTED] is described as follows:

Race:	White
Born:	[REDACTED]
Height:	5 feet 10 inches
Weight:	158 pounds
Hair:	[REDACTED]
Eyes:	[REDACTED]
Residence:	[REDACTED]

RE: [REDACTED]

On March 24, 1965, [REDACTED] North Carolina, Police Department, was advised of the information received that date as set out above.

On March 25, 1965, [REDACTED] North Carolina, was advised of the information received on both dates.

In addition, on March 26, 1965, [REDACTED] North Carolina, Police Department, was advised of the foregoing information.

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RE: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] North Carolina, advised an Agent of the FBI that on January 8, 1958, [REDACTED], who was then on conditional release from Federal Penitentiary, had threatened his wife while drunk and had slashed his wrists in an apparent suicide attempt. He was put in jail overnight but his parole or conditional release was not revoked at that time.

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[REDACTED] SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS AS HE HAS ADMITTED POSSESSION OF A PISTOL AND IN VIEW OF HIS PAST RECORD. HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS HAVING POSSIBLE SUICIDAL TENDENCIES IN VIEW OF HIS REPORTED ATTEMPTED SUICIDE IN 1958.

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1- Mr. Baumgardner
(Field Supervision)

SAC, Baltimore

4-6-65

Director, FBI (100-106670)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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Reurtel 3-30-65 "Alleged Plot to Assassinate
Martin Luther King, RM." which reported information
developed from one [redacted] wherein he claimed
to be a part of a plot aimed against the life of King.

The Bureau has noted certain inadequacies relative
to your handling of this matter. The following observations
should be brought to the attention of all appropriate personnel
responsible.

It was reported that [redacted] had met one [redacted]
and a home address was listed for him as [redacted]
[redacted] Florida. The teletype was designated for Miami,
among other offices. There is no [redacted] in Florida, but
it is noted that [redacted] is located adjacent to [redacted]
Florida. An examination of a map would have disclosed this
error and further would have enabled your office to send the
teletype to Tampa rather than the Miami Office as [redacted]
is covered by the Tampa Office.

Retel reported that [redacted] was in local custody
and that he appeared to be identical to the subject of [redacted]
case. Retel failed to include specific reference to a teletype
from your office to the Bureau and Little Rock (origin) 3-27-65
concerning [redacted] who was a [redacted] fugitive and whose status as
a fugitive was cleared by his being in local custody. Retel
did state that results of the Baltimore investigation in the
[redacted] case was furnished the Bureau and interested offices
separately. Retel should have made reference to the specific
3-27-65 communication. This would have enabled the Bureau to
better correlate correspondence relating to [redacted]

[redacted] claimed certain mental disabilities and
[redacted] claimed that he had been in the Army and Marine Corps having
received a mental discharge from the Marine Corps. Retel set
out a lead for Philadelphia to obtain background of [redacted]
especially as to his present mental condition. This was to be

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Letter to SAC, Baltimore
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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done at [REDACTED] Pennsylvania, because [REDACTED] was being removed to local custody there. It appears that if your office thought that firm information should be obtained concerning the mental condition and background of [REDACTED] a most logical lead would have been to have the St. Louis Office check his record in the military services. While subsequent information obtained from a review of Bufiles dictated no necessity for further checking on the mental condition of [REDACTED] the fact remains that at the time retel was prepared the more logical source for data concerning [REDACTED] would have been his military records.

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Form errors should be scored against the responsible personnel for the inadequacies dealing with the Florida address and submission of teletype to wrong Florida office.

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 3-29-65

Attached reports summary of Martin Luther King's appearance on NBC TV program "Meet the Press." King attempts to justify his actions in Alabama and announced plans for economic boycott of Alabama.

Coverage of King's appearance on "Meet the Press" has received wide coverage in the press. No dissemination necessary.

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✓ Bill Lucas

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TO DIRECTOR -4- AND ATLANTA

ATLANTA VIA WASHINGTON ENCODED
FROM NEW YORK

8/11/65 BFB

APPEARANCE OF REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ~~QUOTE~~ "MEET THE PRESS" ~~UNQUOTE~~
~~UNQUOTE~~ NBC TV, 3/28/65
INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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BUREAU FILE /100-106670/, ATLANTA FILE /100-5586/, AND NEW YORK FILE
/100-136585/.

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Kearney
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REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ON ~~QUOTE~~ "MEET THE PRESS" ~~UNQUOTE~~
TV PROGRAM ON NBC, AT SIX PM EST THIS DATE STATED..

MARCH FROM SELMA, ALABAMA TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA WAS ONE OF
MOST POWERFUL AND DRAMATIC CIVIL RIGHTS DISPLAYS THAT EVER TOOK PLACE.

THERE WAS TWO FOLD PURPOSE IN THIS MARCH. TO PROTEST BRUTALITY
BY POLICE IN ALABAMA AND TO SECURE THE RIGHT TO VOTE FOR THE NEGRO.
THERE HAVE BEEN TEN MURDERS AND UNTOLD NUMBER OF BOMBED HOMES AND
CHURCHES IN ALABAMA AND LITTLE OR NOTHING DONE BY STATE.

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

PAGE TWO

THERE CAN BE NO RESPITE IN DEMONSTRATIONS AS LONG AS CONDITIONS EXIST IN ALABAMA CALLING FOR DEMONSTRATIONS. THERE ARE MANY WHITE PEOPLE OF GOOD WILL AND DECENCY IN ALABAMA BUT THEY HAVE ABDICATED THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR IRRESPONSIBLE PEOPLE OF ALABAMA. THERE IS MORAL OBLIGATION TO CONTINUE DEMONSTRATION SO THE ISSUES CAN BE KEPT BEFORE THE PEOPLE OF THE US.

BARRIERS REMAINING IN ALABAMA WHICH MUST BE DESTROYED. THERE MUST BE UNHAMPERED RIGHT FOR ALL TO VOTE IN ALABAMA INCLUDING REMOVAL OF POLL TAX. THERE MUST BE AN END TO BRUTALITY BY ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. NEGROES MUST HAVE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE IN ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM. ALL LOCAL AGENCIES MUST OPERATE IN LINE WITH LAW AND ORDER.

KING SAID HE DID NOT CONSIDER HE VIOLATED LAW BY MARCHING IN SELMA IN DEFIANCE OF COURT INJUNCTION SINCE ATTORNEYS INFORMED IT WAS INVALID ORDER. KING SAID THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF LAWS-

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PAGE THREE

THE JUST LAW WHICH HAS MORAL OBLIGATION TO OBEY AND THE UNJUST LAW WHICH ONE HAS MORAL OBLIGATION TO DEFY.

KING SAID HE DOES NOT BELIEVE IN DEFYING OR EVADING LAWS BUT STATED THE CHIEF NORM IN HIS ACTION IS TO ACCEPT THE PENALTY IF CONSCIENCE TELLS HIM LAW IS UNJUST. STATED HE EXPRESSES HIGHEST RESPECT FOR LAW AND ORDER WHEN HE DEFIES WHAT HE CONSIDERS UNJUST LAW. KING CITED THE BIBLE AND THE BOSTON TEA PARTY AS DEFIANCES OF UNJUST LAWS IN DEFENDING HIS POSITION.

KING SAID HE PLANS TO CALL FOR NATIONWIDE ECONOMIC WITHDRAWAL FROM ALABAMA AND BOYCOTT OF ALABAMA PRODUCTS TO BRING PRESSURE ON GOV. WALLACE OF ALABAMA FOR HIS REIGN OF TERROR. KING STATED THAT FOLLOWING THE SELMA TO MONTGOMERY MARCH GOV. WALLACE REFUSED TO SEE THOSE MARCHERS WHO WERE TO PRESENT A PETITION TO HIM AND THAT NIGHT MRS. VIOLE LUIZZO WAS SHOT DOWN ON HIGHWAY 1 ALABAMA. KING CITED THOSE AS EVIDENCE OF NO IMPROVEMENT IN CONDITIONS IN ALABAMA.

END PAGE THREE

PAGE FOUR

Communist Party
CONCERNING CHARGE OF ~~CP~~ PETITION INFILTRATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS
MOVEMENT, KING SAID HE SAW NO EVIDENCE OF THIS SINCE ALL CIVIL RIGHTS
ORGANIZATIONS IN THEIR BY-LAWS STATE THERE CAN BE NO CP MEMBER IN
MEMBERSHIP OR OFFICIAL CAPACITY. FURTHER THE THEORY OF NON-
VIOLENCE IS ALIEN TO THE CP DOCTRINE.

CONCERNING CHARGE THAT HE IN ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT ATTENDED
COMMUNIST TRAINING SCHOOL¹ KNOWN AS THE HIGHLANDERS FOLK SCHOOL, KING
DENIED² THIS WAS COMMUNIST TRAINING SCHOOL AND FURTHER STATED HE
WAS THERE FOR ONLY ONE HOUR TO PRESENT SPEECH ON TWENTYFIFTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THIS SCHOOL.

KING CONCLUDED BY STATING THAT CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT WILL CONTINUE
TO BE NON-VIOLENT AND VAST MAJORITY OF NEGROES WILL BE COMMITTED
TO THEIR POLICY OF NON-VIOLENCE. HOWEVER, MORE NEGRO CONTINUES TO
FRUSTRATED THE MORE CHANCE THERE IS FOR VIOLENCE

LHM FOLLOWS.

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CC-MR. SULLIVAN

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Date: 3/26/65

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-51914A)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a LHM suitable for dissemination containing information on KING's visit to San Francisco 3/27-28/65. Three copies are being sent to Atlanta and one to Mobile, the latter for information because of KING's proposed boycott.

Information in Los Angeles teletype dated 3/26/65 entitled "UNSUB; PROGRESSIVE BOOKSHOP, 1806 West Seventh Street, Los Angeles, California, 3/23/64, BOMBING MATTERS," was furnished to [REDACTED] San Francisco PD, 11 a.m., 3/26/65.

During his public appearance in San Francisco, KING was under close guard on the part of his companions and the San Francisco PD.

- 3 - Bureau (100-106670) (Encls. 8) (REG)
- 3 - Atlanta (1 - 100-5586) (Encls. 3)
 - (1 - 100-6670A)
 - (1 - 100-5718) (SCLC)
- 1 - Mobile (Encls. 1) (INFO)
- 1 - San Francisco

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AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC. SER.;
DEPT: ISD, CRD, RAO

DATE FORW: 3-31-65
HOW FORW: [REDACTED]
BY: [REDACTED]

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Approved: [REDACTED]

Special Agent in Charge

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Per [REDACTED]



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

San Francisco, California

March 29, 1965

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

[REDACTED] advised March 28, 1965, that the Reverend Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., upon arrival at San Francisco International Airport on Delta Airlines Flight 327 at approximately 8 p.m., March 27, 1965, was to be met by Episcopal Bishop JAMES PIKE of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, and was to proceed directly to the Filton Hotel in downtown San Francisco. KING's schedule called for his speaking at Grace Cathedral, 1051 Taylor Street, at 11 a.m., Sunday, March 28, 1965, and thereafter he would proceed to the KRON (NBC) television studios for a televised press interview from 2:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and would depart from San Francisco at 4 p.m., March 28, 1965.

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The "San Francisco Chronicle" and the "San Francisco Examiner" daily newspapers, of March 29, 1965, carried lengthy coverage on Dr. KING's sermon at 11 a.m., March 28th, at Grace Cathedral. The crowd in the cathedral was estimated at 2500 with an additional 1000 in a basement auditorium and between 1000 and 1500 standing outside unable to enter. It was said that his sermon was a long-standing commitment to speak at this cathedral. The theme of his sermon was the need for a rule of love and justice in order that man can live in peace and harmony. Many references were made to the civil rights problem in Alabama and elsewhere.

The televised interview over the National Broadcasting Company station KRON, San Francisco, in the afternoon of March 28, 1965, was with correspondents in Washington, D.C., for the program "Meet the Press." In it he stated that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference would call for a boycott of all Alabama products; would ask for the withdrawal of federal money from Alabama banks; would appeal to union leaders to support the economic boycott and would ask federal agencies to "withdraw support for a society that refused to protect life and the right to vote." KING predicted that the boycott would get underway in about two weeks and at first would last for about ten days and then would be repeated at such intervals as are necessary.

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100-106670-1 of the FBI.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Dr. KING departed from San Francisco late afternoon, March 28, 1965. His televised appearance was the subject of delayed telecast over KRON, Channel 4, San Francisco, at 6 p.m. on the program "Meet the Press."

FBI

Date: 4/2/65

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL REGULAR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (157-957) RUC
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM-C

RE: Baltimore airtel to Bureau 4/1/65 captioned
"Alleged plot to assassinate Martin Luther King RM" with
enclosed ~~to~~ and Bureau airtel dated 4/1/65 captioned as
above. ~~LHM~~

In accordance with Bureau instructions enclosed
for Bureau are eight copies and for Atlanta 2 copies of
LHM in this matter.

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Baltimore, Maryland

April 2, 1965

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Re: MARTIN LUTHER KING

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[REDACTED] advised that on evening of March 27, at Howard County, Maryland, he arrested [REDACTED] on local traffic charge. It was subsequently determined that [REDACTED] was escapee local authorities for assault and battery from Pennsylvania, and was to be returned to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] stated that while at South Carolina, he was in possession of a sub-machine gun and was approached by men who offered \$50,000 to assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING.

[REDACTED] advised FBI Agents that he served in U. S. Army and U. S. Marine Corps (USMC) receiving a "mental" discharge from USMC. He stated, he was injured while in the U. S. Army, was treated in five U. S. Army Hospitals and since then and particularly since being injured while a passenger in Greyhound bus accident February 2, 1965, he has suffered hallucinations and amnesia and cannot understand which of his memories are fact or fantasy. He related that approximately February 20, 1965 at Columbia, South Carolina, he traded a 1955 DeSoto to [REDACTED] South Carolina and received \$100 and a Browning sub-machine gun together with a clip and 40 rounds of ammunition. Approximately March 12, 1965 at Columbia, South Carolina, he met [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who were in a Lincoln Continental bearing unknown Georgia tags. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] after determining that he was opposed to the racial demonstrations in the south offered [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] \$400 each if they would accompany them to Georgia that night and \$50,000 if they would assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING. [REDACTED] stated no details of the plot were discussed

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Re: MARTIN LUTHER KING

but it was stated KING would be at Southern Christian Leadership Conference at Atlanta, April 5, 1965. [REDACTED] stated he told these men he would think the offer over but that night he sold the machine gun to [REDACTED] for \$350 and left town and has no information re [REDACTED] subsequent activities.

[REDACTED] to support his story of possession of machine gun stated that approximately March 4, 1965, [REDACTED] while driving a car was stopped by a Sheriff or Constable near Sanford, North Carolina and pointed the machine gun at this officer forcing him to drop his gun and fled. He states [REDACTED] Columbia, South Carolina may be able to further identify [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] United States Marshal, Baltimore, Maryland, advised that on that date [REDACTED] had been placed in the custody of [REDACTED] County Detective District Attorney's Office, Chester County, West Chester, Pennsylvania and transported to West Chester, Pennsylvania.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: April 1, 1965

FROM : J. A. Sizoo

1 - Mr. Belmont ✓
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING

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SAC Ponder of Atlanta called at approximately Noon today and advised that an Atlanta source had just indicated a telephone call was made, by a person who identified herself as Betty Washington of the Chicago Daily Defender, to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) in which the caller asked the SCLC office if they had heard a report that King had been shot in Baltimore this morning. Miss Washington was answered in the negative and she promptly hung up.

ACTION:

I called SAC Tully in Baltimore who made a discreet check with the police and was advised that there were no unusual occurrences with reference to King and his activities in Baltimore. The Baltimore Police Department has a squad of men at the Lord Baltimore Hotel where a SCLC staff meeting is in progress and King is present there. Therefore, obviously there is no truth to the report received in Atlanta.

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Chicago, Illinois 60623

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Dear [REDACTED]

I have received your letter of March 28th.

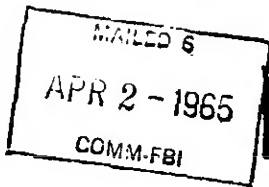
In response to your inquiry, I would like to point out that information contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. In view of this, I am sure you will understand why I cannot comment upon the person you named.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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Chicago 60623-III.
March 28-1965

Mr. Edgar Hoover
Director of Fed. Bur. of Investigation.

Dear Sir:

I am interested in the back ground of Rev. Martin Luther King. Many people I talk to have various opinions. Is he a member of the Communistic Party or taught those teachings?

Would you please send me information on the above.

Thank you in advance,

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[REDACTED]
Florence, South Carolina

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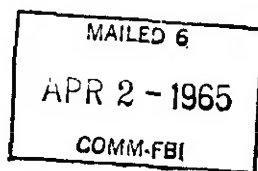
Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 30th has been received.

While I would like to be of assistance, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. In view of this, I am sure you will understand why I cannot comment concerning the individuals about whom you inquired.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

March 16, 1965

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

For some time I have read in newspapers and heard over radio and television about Rev. Martin Luther King's close friends and associates who are "known" communists. If this be true I would like to know the facts and feel that all Americans should know this--the facts-- or else close the matter once and for all. I feel that this is of extreme importance because of his attraction to many college age students.

Please understand that this letter is not written by a "southern radical" or a "crackpot" but rather the mother of a college student, who is concerned.

This letter is addressed to you, Mr. Hoover, for surely you have the facts and we need to know them.

Yours truly,





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March 16, 1965

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Yours truly,

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
 (U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

Unrecorded serial dated 4/5/65 pulled from this file
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Duluth, Minnesota 55811

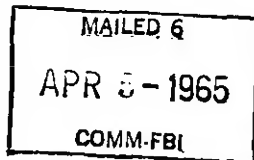
Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 29th, with enclosure,
has been received and the thought which prompted you to
write me is appreciated.

Although I would like to be of service, infor-
mation contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained
as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department
of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret that
I am unable to be of assistance in this instance but trust you
will understand the reasons for this policy.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



b7(c) NOTE: [REDACTED] cannot be identified in Bufiles.
The enclosure is a weekly bulletin of the Gethsemane and
Grand Lake Covenant Churches.

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... from the Pastor's Study

March 29, 1965

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Federal Bureau Of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Word has reached me that Dr Martin Luther King
is a communist.

Is this true? I would appreciate hearing
your opinion on this.

Thank you.

Sincerely concerned,

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*I go to prepare a place
for you . . . I will come
again, and receive you
unto myself . . .*

JOHN 14:2, 3

*Watch
and Pray*

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THE LORD'S DAY

MARCH 14, 1965

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45 at Gethsemane 10:45 at Grand Lake
Can you say--"Thy Word have I hid in my heart, that I
Might not sin against thee?" No one is too young nor
too old to study and hide the word of God away in ones
heart. See you in Sunday school regularly.

Morning Worship

9:30 at Grand Lake 11:00 at Gethsemane

Let us enter with quietness and reverence and in sil-
ent prayer. Ask God to open our hearts and lead us
to truth and spiritual worship.

Organ Prelude Call to Worship
Hymn 201 Ye Servants of God.
Anthem Give Ear Unto My Prayer
Scripture Lesson Matthew 26:30-46
Prayer

Hymn 235 Have Thine Own Way
Announcements and Offering Offertory
Anthem Tell it to Jesus
Hymn 406 Open my Eyes
Message: Seeing Jesus Pray
Hymn 360 Sitting at the Feet of Jesus
Benediction Threefold Amen Postlude

This afternoon at Gethsemane 4 PM

Something new and different!

The Trailblazers and Children's Choir will be present-
ing a program. Awards will be presented to those who
have earned them. There will also be a puppet show.
Sandwiches and cake will be served by the parents of
the Trailblazers. Come and attend as a family.

Mrs Holt serves as the welcoming committee today.



THE WAY UP

is down on your knees. Your first step to life eternal is the acknowledgment of your sin and need of a Saviour. Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death that you might live with Him.

"... Seek ye me, and ye shall live."
Amos 5:4

T H I S W E E K

Tuesday 7:30 There will be a study and discussion period on the Inter Church movements in preparation for the referendum vote which shall be taken at the morning service--March 21st. On the 21st each one will be given the opportunity to register their opinion in the straw vote which shall be taken. A sample ballot is posted on the bulletin board.

Wednesday 7 PM The study this week will be on the "Higher Road" of Christian Discipleship. The text for study is Matt. 5:1-48. Many more should be attending these studies and prayer time each week. We invite you and look for you! Choir at 8:15

Friday 2 to 10 Day of Prayer at Gethsemane. It is our hope that someone will be at Church during these afternoon and evening hours. Please sign up.

Prayer is a priceless privilege and all too often a privilege the Christian takes for granted. Prayer can make us strong and bring to our lives and the life of the church the spiritual renewal we all know is so very much needed. We encourage you to participate. Let us unite in this prayer ministry.

Saturday 9:30 Confirmation and Children's Choir

Mrs. Barsness came home from the hospital yesterday. She will be confined to bed for at least one week.

Next Sunday an offering will be received at the door for Mrs. Wm. Roedy and family.

Today Is All We Have

■ IT IS IMPORTANT to live today, for it will not return for a second try. If we miss its joy and zest, we miss it forever.

A woman twenty-four years of age was told that her husband, two years older, would soon die of an incurable disease. This was a blow, and it caused a night of gloom to settle about this pair.

After prayerful meditation, they decided they would pack every day full of helpful service and joyous companionship.

They were not careless of a single hour. They lived every day to its full. Years were added to the man's life, and the doctor gave credit to their wholesome, unselfish living.

Do we need to be shocked into seeing that so-called ordinary days are precious? Today is all we have. From sunup till sundown, let us fill it with life.—*Oliver G. Wilson.*

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Nothing by Chance

(Romans 8:28)

Roy J. Wilkins

*The Christian life is not a life of accidents—
My life, I must believe, is carefully planned
By One who sees the end from the beginning
And guides me with His tender, outstretched hand.*

*No tragedy or trial can come upon me
Except it be permitted by my God.
Perhaps He sees I'm proud, or hard, or stubborn
And need to feel His tender chastening rod.*

*Nothing by chance for me—or any sincere Christian—
For all things work together for the best;
Believing that, each day is truly blest!
For our own good and for our Lord's own glory—*

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TO: DIRECTOR (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-57229)(P)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM - C

OO: Atlanta

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of a LHM suitable for dissemination, with 3 copies for Atlanta and one copy for Mobile for information.

The Mobile copy is furnished in view of the current situation and Mobile's desire to know the whereabouts of KING.

Atlanta will advise Los Angeles should any information be developed in connection with KING's possible appearance at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Los Angeles will develop and report any further information in this regard.

AGENCY: ACSI, CNI, OSI, SEC. SER.;

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DATE FORW: 4-2-65

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BY: J. F. P. / J. A.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Los Angeles, California
March 30, 1965

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

The University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) "Daily Bruin" a campus newspaper issue of March 24, 1965, page 1, carried an article captioned "King Invited to Campus; Negotiations in Progress".

The article stated that the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. has been extended an invitation to address UCLA students and negotiations are under way to arrange for his appearance. According to the article, the invitation for King to speak at UCLA would be delivered to King by ministers from the Los Angeles area who were going to Alabama in connection with the voting rights demonstrations there.

The article stated that the date of King's appearance has not yet been set but will probably be in early April, 1965, at Spaulding Field on the campus at UCLA.

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SAC, Los Angeles (100-57229)

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Director, FBI (100-106670)

1 - Mr. Baumgardner
(Field Supervision)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reurairtel 3/29/65 and enclosed letterhead memorandum (LHM) of same date.

Page one of referenced LHM was retyped at the Bureau to delete the entire third paragraph and the following in lines one and two of paragraph four: "who has furnished reliable information in the past, and who is." Advise offices receiving copies of referenced LHM.

The above action was taken because no apparent purpose is served in reporting the information in the third paragraph to the effect that King had a hotel reservation but had failed to notify the hotel as to his intention regarding the reservation. The other deletion was made because it is contrary to Bureau reporting rules to comment on the reliability of an individual

as indicated in the LHM.

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FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-57229)(P)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM - C
OO: Atlanta

Re Los Angeles airtel and LHM dated 3/30/65 concerning a possible appearance by KING at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) in April, 1965.

[REDACTED] advised that KING had been extended the invitation to speak at UCLA but as yet there had been no reply from him and at this time nothing was definite concerning the appearance.

Bureau and Atlanta will be advised further regarding this matter if additional information is developed.

- 3 - Bureau
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- 1 - Mobile (Info)
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AIRTEL

1 - Mr. Shroder
(5710 JB)
1 - Mr. Englestad
(1511 JB)

To: SACs, Baltimore (Enclosure)
Charlotte
Philadelphia (Enclosure)

From: Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

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ReBatel to Bureau, Atlanta, Miami, Charlotte,
Philadelphia and Savannah and teletypes from Charlotte,
Philadelphia, Savannah and Miami, all 3/30/65, all captioned
"Alleged Plot To Assassinate Martin Luther King, RM."

Baltimore teletype reported that one [redacted] was in custody of local authorities in Maryland and was to be returned to [redacted] Pennsylvania, [redacted] as he was an escapee from local authorities there. [redacted] related a lengthy tale concerning an alleged plot to assassinate King in which he claimed he was involved. He indicated that he has had service in the Army and Marine Corps and had a "mental" discharge from the latter. He claimed that he has suffered hallucinations and amnesia and cannot separate fact from fantasy. He claimed that he had obtained a machine gun in connection with the alleged plot and that his story concerning possession of the gun could be verified because on approximately 3/4/64 he was stopped by a local law enforcement officer near Sanford, North Carolina, and pointed the gun at this officer. He also related an allegation that he met with Jack Ruby and Lee Harvey Oswald in Fort Worth, Texas, 1962. The Baltimore teletype closed with an instruction for Atlanta to advise local authorities; for

- 1 - Atlanta (Enclosure)
- 1 - Little Rock
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Airtel to SACs, Baltimore, et al
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Philadelphia to obtain background as to [REDACTED] mental condition at [REDACTED] and for receiving offices not to conduct investigation unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau until information concerning [REDACTED] mental condition was determined.

Bureau files reveal that [REDACTED] has been involved for many years in connection with violations of the law, both local and Federal. He has had several terms of military service and has been a deserter in the past. [REDACTED] contains the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated 7/15/54, concerning [REDACTED]. The report has pertinent data concerning [REDACTED] mental state. Philadelphia airtel 6/28/54 in the same case also contains pertinent mental-condition data.

[REDACTED] contains the most recent investigation of [REDACTED] wherein he was a [REDACTED] fugitive, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] His fugitive status was cleared by his recent local arrest in Maryland. Information in this file reveals that [REDACTED] has given a variety of birth dates over the years and has traveled about the country a good deal. b7(c)

ReChtel reported investigation at Sanford, North Carolina, which failed to verify the claim of [REDACTED] that he had encountered a local officer near Sanford as alleged.

RePHtel reported a summary of information verifying the mental difficulties [REDACTED] has experienced over the years.

In view of the reported mental condition of [REDACTED] and the apparent lack of any Bureau jurisdiction relative to the alleged plot concerning King, no further investigation should be conducted. It is necessary, however, for the Bureau to make appropriate dissemination concerning the threat and [REDACTED] mental condition. The following instructions, therefore, should be promptly carried out by the indicated offices and requested material submitted by return airtel.

Baltimore should submit a letterhead memorandum including the information concerning the alleged plot relative to King's life; data concerning [REDACTED] local incarceration; mental condition factors as related by [REDACTED] and his claim concerning the Sanford, North Carolina, incident. Do not include the Ruby-Oswald information.

Airtel to SACs, Baltimore, et al
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

For your information, extensive investigation by the Bureau in the past failed to confirm any claim that Oswald and Ruby were known to each other prior to the assassination of President Kennedy.

Charlotte should submit a letterhead memorandum reporting investigation conducted at Sanford, North Carolina.

Philadelphia should submit a letterhead memorandum containing details as to [REDACTED] current incarceration; all available information concerning the mental condition of [REDACTED] (thoroughly review your files for this information); and a brief summary of the military record of [REDACTED] as revealed in your files.

It is noted that referenced Baltimore teletype should have been sent to Tampa rather than Miami and subsequently Miami sent a copy of the Baltimore teletype to Tampa by air mail. In the event Tampa has any pertinent information, it should submit same by a letterhead memorandum. b7(c)

All offices preparing letterhead memoranda should designate a copy for Atlanta and in view of Atlanta's previous advice to local authorities, Atlanta should now also furnish local authorities a brief summary concerning the mental condition of [REDACTED]

Enclosed for the information of Atlanta, Baltimore and Philadelphia is one copy each [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 3-29-65

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
INTERVIEW ON TELEVISION PROGRAM,
"MEET THE PRESS"
MARCH 28, 1965

DATE 12-17-81 BY SP4 JMM/12
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King appeared on captioned National Broadcasting Company television program which was heard locally over WRC, Channel 4.

King said that the recent march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, was made to dramatize the indignities suffered by Negroes, to protest police brutality, and to insure that Negroes get the right to vote. He said these issues must be kept before the public and there will be no respite in Alabama.

King asserted that we all have the moral obligation to break unjust laws as long as we are willing to go to jail and pay the penalty for breaking those laws. He gave this as his reasoning for recently stating that he would have violated any court injunction which might have been handed down prohibiting the march to Montgomery.

King called for a national economic boycott of the State of Alabama and said that he intended to seek the aid of trade unions and Federal agencies to promote this boycott.

King denied that communists had infiltrated the civil rights movement and claimed that most civil rights groups prohibit communists from holding office or otherwise obtaining position of leadership.

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He was asked about a photograph taken of him at the Highlander Folk School in 1957 which, the interviewer said, some had claimed was communist dominated. King said that this school, as far as he knew, was not communist influenced in any way. He said it was one of the first schools to promote inter-racial education, that he had never attended the school, and that he had only appeared there once in 1957 for about one hour to make an address at which time he was photographed.

RECOMMENDATION: For information.

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Seymour F. Phillips

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Convent, New Jersey

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Your letter of March 29th has been received.

While I certainly would like to be of assistance to you, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. Therefore, I trust you will understand why I am not in a position to comment along the lines you have suggested.

In connection with these matters, I am enclosing a copy of the remarks made by Senator Thomas J. Dodd on the Floor of the Senate on February 25, 1965, along with other material which I hope will be of assistance to you in learning of the true nature of the FBI's role in civil rights matters.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Dodd's speech

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Our Heritage of Greatness

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[REDACTED]
Convent, New Jersey
March 29, 1965

J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am a student at the College of Saint Elizabeth doing research on the ethics of Martin Luther King. I would like information regarding the infiltration of subversive groups in non-violent Negro rights demonstrations. In particular, I wish the names of sources which give valid relation and interpretation to the current civil rights demonstrations, and also available information on Communist infiltration into the demonstrations which have been initiated by Mr. King.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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Washington, D.C.

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To: SACs, Atlanta (100-5586) (Enclosure)
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From: Director, FBI (100-106670)

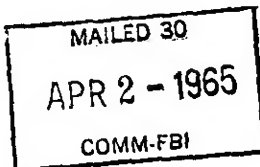
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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ReNKairtel 3/31/65 captioned [REDACTED]
Info Concerning - Secret Service Matter, Newark file 62-3141
which enclosed a letterhead memorandum (LHM) of same date
captioned [REDACTED]

Enclosed for Atlanta is a Xerox copy of referenced
LHM. Atlanta should advise the Atlanta, Georgia, Police
Department concerning the threat to King as contained in the
enclosure, as well as the information concerning [REDACTED]
mental condition.

Newark should make similar dissemination of this
information to local authorities covering [REDACTED] current
residence.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.
SM-C

Re NY teletype 3/28/65, advising of subject's
appearance on NBC TV program, "Meet the Press" on 3/28/65.

Enclosed are five copies of a letterhead
memorandum, dated and captioned as above, two copies
are enclosed for Atlanta.

3-Bureau (100-106670) (Encl. 5) (RM)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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New York, New York

March 29, 1965

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.
Security Matter - C

On March 28, 1965, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., was interviewed on the National Broadcasting Company television program, "Meet the Press". King stated that the march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, was one of the most powerful and dramatic civil rights display that has ever taken place. He said that the march had a two-fold purpose: 1. To protest police brutality in Alabama and 2. To secure the right of the Negro to vote.

King stated that there can be no respite in demonstrations as long as conditions exist in Alabama that call for demonstrations. He said there is a moral obligation to continue demonstrations so that the issues can be kept before the people of the United States.

According to King there are barriers which remain in Alabama that must be destroyed, namely the unhampered right for all to vote in Alabama, removal of the poll tax, an end to brutality by all law enforcement agencies and equal opportunity for the Negro in the anti-poverty program.

King stated that he did not consider that he violated the law by marching in Selma, in defiance of a court injunction, since attorneys had advised that it was an invalid order. King said there are two types of laws according to his thinking: 1. The just law which has a moral obligation to obey and 2. The unjust law which has a moral obligation to defy. King said he does not believe in defying or evading laws, but stated the chief norm in his actions is to accept the penalty if his conscience tells him the law is unjust.

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.
Security Matter - C

King said that he plans to call for nationwide economic withdrawal from Alabama, a boycott of Alabama products and to bring pressure on Governor Wallace of Alabama for his reign of terror.

Concerning a charge of Communist Party infiltration of the Civil Rights movement, King said he saw no evidence of this since all civil rights organizations state in their by-laws that there can be no member of the Communist Party either as an official or as a member.

Concerning a charge that he in 1958 attended a Communist training school known as the Highlanders Folk School, King denied that it was a Communist training school and indicated that he had only spent one hour there to present a speech on the 25th anniversary of the school.

King concluded his remarks by stating that the civil rights movement will continue to be non-violent in nature.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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FROM NEW YORK /100-136585/

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM DASH C.

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ACTIVITIES ON MARCH, THIRTY SIXTYFIVE. *U*

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BERNARD LEE CHECKED OUT OF THE CITY SQUIRE MOTOR INN, FIFTY FIRST STREET
AND BROADWAY, NYC, AND DEPARTED NEWARK AIRPORT AT ONE THIRTYFIVE PM,
ABOARD TWA FLIGHT SIX ONE, EN ROUTE TO FRIENDSHIP AIRPORT, BALTIMORE,
MARYLAND. *U*

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BALTIMORE ADVISED BY TELEPHONE. MAIL COPY TO APR 2 1965. *U*

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Columbus, Ohio 43209

Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 26th, with enclosure, has been received.

With respect to your inquiries, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I cannot be of help in this instance but trust you understand the necessary reasons for this policy.

I would like to point out Karl Prussion assisted this Bureau by furnishing information on subversive activities from November, 1949, to July, 1958, during which time he was compensated; however, he was not a Special Agent. His personal ventures, opinions and comments are strictly his own, and the FBI is not in a position to comment on them in any manner whatsoever.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufiles reflect one prior outgoing to correspondent thanking her for her support of the Director and his views.

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Dear Mr. Hoover

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our morning newspaper yesterday was a shock and I would like to
know if it is true. I am enclosing a copy.

If it is true it seems to me that we might be
encouraging an American Castro and the people should be informed
by the proper sources. If it is not true then Dr. King should be
defended.

I would appreciate information on this subject.
P. S. Who are the Circuit Riders?

Sincerely yours,

/s/



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From The Citizen - Journal

March 25, 1965

"The greatest infiltration of the Socialist-Communist conspiracy is in all elements of the Communications media. They co-operate consciously or unconsciously with the other big areas which include the clergy, the educational field, big government and the entertainment field. These five areas more than any other are communizing the U.S.A.

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What has happened to the newspapers? Have you all sold out? "

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1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Raupach

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To: SAC, Atlanta

From: Director, FBI

UNSUB; THREAT AGAINST
MARTIN LUTHER KING

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At 1:03 a.m., 3-27-65, the Bureau received a brief telephone call from an unidentified male. He refused to say where he was calling from, however the call was a long distance call, the originating city unknown.

The unidentified male sounded somewhat intoxicated, extremely vindictive, spoke with a foreign dialect and used considerable profanity. He made several unintelligible remarks about Mrs. Viola Liuzzo who was killed in Lowndes County, Alabama, on March 25, 1965. The Unidentified caller said "they were going to get King" then hung up.

The Bureau is notifying United States Secret Service Headquarters in Washington, D.C., the Civil Rights Division and the Internal Security Division of the United States Department of Justice regarding this information. Atlanta should notify United States Secret Service in your division and local authorities concerning the receipt of the above information. No further action is being taken by the Bureau.

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NOTE: Above information has been incorporated into a letterhead memorandum and is being disseminated to United States Secret Service by O-141 and to John Doar Civil Rights Division and J. Walter Yeagley Internal Security Division by O-6, 3-30-65. No further action necessary and Division 5 has been notified telephonically. SEE SHRODER TO ROSEN

MEMO 3/27/65 KMR:LAS.

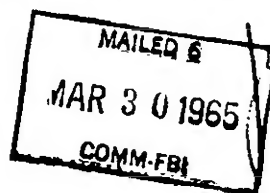
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

March 30, 1965

UNSUB; THREAT AGAINST
MARTIN LUTHER KING

On March 27, 1965, at 1:03 a.m., a brief telephone call was received at the Federal Bureau of Investigation from an unidentified male. This individual refused to reveal his identity or where he was calling from. It was determined the call was a long distance call but the originating city was not determined.

The unidentified caller sounded as if he was under the influence of intoxicants, extremely vindictive, spoke with a foreign dialect and used considerable profanity. He made several unintelligible remarks concerning Mrs. Viola Liuzzo, who was killed on March 25, 1965, at Lowndes County, Alabama. The unidentified caller then said "they were going to get King" then hung up.

United States Secret Service, the United States Department of Justice and local authorities in the State of Alabama have been notified. No further action is being taken in this matter by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

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1 - Mr. Raupach

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NOTE: In view of the fact that there was no further identifying data concerning the unknown subject and no indication when the alleged threat against King was going to take place, this information is being disseminated to United States Secret Service by 0-141, the United States Department of Justice, attention J. Walter Yeagley, Internal Security Division, and John Doar Civil Rights Division, by 0-6. In addition by airtel dated 3-30-65, the Atlanta Division was advised so that local authorities could be informed of the alleged threat received. SEE SHRODER TO

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Rosen *R/R*

FROM : R. I. Shroder *R/S*

SUBJECT: UNSUB; THREAT AGAINST
MARTIN LUTHER KING

DATE: 3-27-65

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Raupach

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ACTION

For information. Necessary dissemination will be handled by the Domestic Intelligence Division.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. D.J. Brennan

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1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Baumgardner

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

Date: April 2, 1965

To: Mr. Fred Robinette
Executive Assistant to the
Assistant Commissioner
Internal Revenue Service (Inspections)
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

Pursuant to your request for information concerning Martin Luther King, Jr., who is being considered by your Service as a possible guest lecturer, there is enclosed a copy of a study entitled "Communism and the Negro Movement - A Current Analysis." Copies of this document have been furnished to interested officials of the Government.

The sources used in the enclosure have furnished reliable information in the past, and because of their sensitive nature, the document has been classified "Top Secret." Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this letter becomes unclassified.

Enclosure

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NOTE:

See memorandum Baumgardner to Sullivan, captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr., Security Matter - Communist" dated 3/31/65,

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